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STATE INSPECTORS CONDEMN FOURTH WARD BUILDING AND SESSIONS ARE DISCONTINUED

"Unfit for Occupancy and Constant Menace" Their Words.

SAY FIND OTHER QUARTERS

Buildings Condemned at Uniontown as Unsafe "Palaces Compared with This One," Experts Assert; "No Danger So Long as Nothing Happens."

"After a thorough inspection of this building, permit us to say we consider it unfit for occupancy and we believe it to be a constant menace to the children who are compelled to attend school there. We suggest that it be immediately abandoned."

This is the indictment returned by Walter J. Lloyd and James G. Haslett, representatives of the State Department of Labor & Industry, against the Fourth Ward school building, which resulted in it being closed today by order of the School Board.

"So long as nothing happens in this building there is no danger; but who desires to take the responsibility of taking a chance of repeating the school horrors that have already been recorded from fire in the United States?" the inspectors further ask.

The inspectors are both experts in their line. Walter J. Lloyd is an architect of standing and James G. Haslett, an experienced fire inspector. Mr. Lloyd was especially outspoken in his condemnation of the building.

It is doubtful if any more school sessions will ever be held in this structure. If the School Board wants to continue holding school in the building, it assumes all responsibility for any accidents that may occur. Should there be a big fire, or a collapse of the structure, the directors would be criminally responsible, now that the state has condemned it. It is said that none of the directors cares to assume such responsibility.

A detailed report on the Fourth Ward, high school, and South Side and all three West Side buildings will be forwarded to the School Board between now and Saturday night. It is apparent from the fact that the Fourth Ward building was condemned at once and the other buildings included in the detailed report that the inspectors found the rest of the structures in good enough condition to remain open.

"The buildings which were condemned as unsafe at Uniontown were palaces compared to the Fourth Ward building here," was the statement of Mr. Lloyd.

Pupils of the Fourth Ward building reported as usual this morning, but the rooms were dismissed at once for the day. They will return to school Monday. In case it is decided to close the building permanently, half sessions will be held in the South Side school building. The Fourth Ward pupils will be compelled to attend school part of the day on the South Side.

School board will hold a special meeting immediately upon receipt of the inspectors' detailed report and decide what is to be done. There is every reason to believe that the school will never open. The preliminary report, in full follows:

At the instigation of the school authorities, in obeying the orders of Mr. L. R. Palmer, who is chief inspector of the Department of Labor and Industry, we inspected the building known as the Fourth Ward school adjoining the High School building on Fairview avenue.

After a thorough inspection of this building, permit us to say that we consider it unfit for occupancy and we believe it to be a constant menace to the children who are compelled to attend school there.

We would suggest that it be immediately abandoned and the school authorities provide other quarters to house these children.

So long as nothing happens in this building, there is no danger; but who desires to take the responsibility of taking a chance of repeating the school horrors that have already been recorded from fire in the United States?

A detailed report in regard to further examination will be submitted later.

The inspectors had no power to close the building. They merely recommend to the School Board what to do and report to Commissioner John Price Jackson. The latter, however, can order the school closed if he so desires.

Members of the School Board expected that the Fourth Ward building would be condemned, but they anticipated nothing so drastic as the recommendation of the inspectors that the building be immediately abandoned.

The board has proposed a $250,000 bond issue for the erection of new buildings and the inspection was asked to make certain that the buildings were in such condition that they ought to be replaced.

The experts went over them thoroughly. In fact, the local authorities who accompanied them were astonished at the way they went about their work. One of the inspectors took a beam in the Fourth Ward structure and broke it off with his hands. It had been eaten soft by dry rot. There were other equally unsafe conditions discovered. In fact, the inspectors found it to be in constant danger of collapse. Its sanitary features and fire exits were also found to be very bad.

There are 511 pupils enrolled in the Fourth Ward schools. If it is closed, these will have to be accommodated elsewhere and the board has picked the South Side building for this purpose.

The Fourth Ward school building was built in 1868, when it was the principal school of the borough. It was moved from the site of the present high school building to the corner of Fairview and Carnegie avenues 30 years ago. At that time there was considerable discussion as to the advisability of moving it, there being a strong feeling that it was unfit for occupancy then.

WEST PENN LINEMAN NEAR DEATH FROM SEVERE SHOCK

Is Rescued With Difficulty After Heavy Voltage Nearly Severs His Jugular Vein.

His jugular vein seared by 2,200 volts of electric current, James Miller, a West Penn lineman, crumpled into a heap while working on a pole in the rear of the Gallatin Hotel in Uniontown, this afternoon and was saved from falling by his lineholt. He was lowered at the direction of Ray Coldren, a fellow workman, after the Uniontown hook and ladder wagon had been called out. He is not expected to recover.

Miller was attempting to tap a dead line when the accident occurred. He was standing on a grounded messenger, which completed the circuit, when his neck accidently came in contact with the high tension line. The wire seared into the flesh, piercing the jugular vein and causing a deep cut in the black of the head.

Ray Coldren, who was working on a nearby pole, saw the flash, and watched Miller collapse. Coldren hurried to his aid, and at his direction he was lowered. Coldren some time ago received a hero medal for saving the life of a elow employe at Coolspring on June 14, 1911.

After Miller was brought to the ground a hurry call was sent for the pulmotor at Continental No. 1. Before it arrived he was taken to the Uniontown hospital. He was still unconscious.

PLAN BOND ISSUE

Somerset County Finds Permanent Roads Must be Built.

State Highway Commissioner R. J. Cunningham has given the commissioners of Somerset county and good roads enthusiasts from that section to understand that his department will not extend financial aid toward the construction of any county roads except those undertaken on a permanent basis and costing from $12,000 to $20,000 a mile.

The department, it is understood, has also indicated that it will not agree to undertake the maintenance of cheaply built roads which, cost $4,000 or $5,000 a mile. These roads can only be kept up at a cost of from $500 to $400 per mile a year and the state does not feel warranted in undertaking such expenditures which the commissioners feel is throwing money away.

Confronted by this condition, Somerset county is considering a bond issue, similar to that of $400,000 recently authorized by the commissioners of Fayette county. The state has promised to build a road between Jennertown and Somerset, but funds for it will not be available this year.

YOUTH SAY'S HE'S A SPY

Young German Terrorizes Crew of British Steamer, But is Taken.

By Associated Press.

LEWIS, Del., March 31. — The young German who captured the British steamer Matoppo and terrorized her crew of 50 men on Wednesday night shortly after the ship had sailed out of New York harbor with railroad supplies for Russia, declared today that he was a spy for the German government. Earnest Schiller, the prisoner, weary from all the excitement he had undergone in his efforts to escape from the steamer yesterday after he had held the crew in his power with pistols all of Wednesday night, threw himself on a cot on the Lewes jail early today and sought sleep.

An examination into his mental condition will be made. Those who have talked with him believe he is irresponsible and that his story of his career is not true. Captain Richard Bergner, of the Matoppo, said he is convinced that Schiller is a former naval officer.

NEGROES NABBED.

Suspected of Having Stolen Pairs of Shoes.

William Brown, a negro, was arrested on suspicion of having stolen a number of pairs of shoes which he had been detected selling throughout the city, by Detective Mitchell and Patrolman Rulli last night. He is being held pending an investigation by the police.

Evans Bailey, another negro, is suspected of being implicated in the same theft. He was arrested in a house at Dutch Bottom.

Falls Down Stairs.

Mrs. Mary M. Shaffer, one of the best known of the older residents of Johnston avenue, suffered severe injuries when she fell down the cellar steps at her home on Wednesday afternoon. Her condition was critical yesterday, but she was improved today.

CONVERTS' PARADE TONIGHT FEATURE OF THE CAMPAIGN

Bob Jones and His Party Will Lead March to Tabernacle.

MEETINGS NEARING AN END

Closing Services Will be Held on Sunday; Evangelist Refers to the Long and Hard Pull Against Sin in Connellsville; 26 More Converts.

THE SAWDUST TRAIL.

TRAIL HITTERS:

Thursday, services	26
Previously reported	2,115
Total to date	2,141

FRIDAY MEETINGS.

7.30 P. M.—Tabernacle, "Bob" Jones. Converts' night. Delegations: All who have signed cards during the campaign. They will meet at the Methodist Episcopal Church and march to the tabernacle in parade formation, escorted by the Military Band.

Eighteen persons out of a congregation of about 3,500 hit the sawdust trail in answer to Bob Jones' invitation at the tabernacle last night. These, added to the eight converts at the afternoon service, made a total of 26 for the day. The campaign was but three days from its close and the available material from which to augment the total of converts was small.

The preliminary song service and the period alotted to the cottage prayer meeting districts and other delegations for yells and songs were enthusiastic. A large part of the seat section had been set aside for the cottage prayer meeting districts some of whom came trooping into the big building as early as 7 o'clock, some carrying banners. The women predominated. Several thousand women and a smattering of men occupied the reserved sections. When the call for yells was made by Loren Jones, several of the districts responded with cheers, but two others were more dignified, reciting the 23rd Psalm in unison. It was rather disconcerting to the one district which had prepared its psalm so well to find that another section had also hit upon this Biblical extract instead of a yell.

Evangelist Jones evidenced less "pep" than usual. He admitted having spent his energies lavishly and tired himself out physically and mentally during the campaign, but he indicated that he would not spare himself on Friday night and at the three services Sunday.

"I've done a lot of things since I came to Connellsville," he declared at the close of his sermon. "I've told a joke or two; I've made you laugh a little; I've made you shed a tear or two; I've been angry with you, but I've tried hardest to do two things: I've tried to show you that you need salvation, and I've tried to show you that you need a Savior. I've spent my energies and shattered my nerves to show you that there is a Savior."

Jones' text was from the second chapter of Isaiah, the 32nd verse: "And a man shall be an hiding place from wind and a cover from the tempest."

The evangelist referred to the cities of refuge that figure in Biblical history. These cities were built upon high hills, he declared; the roads to them were broad and clear; no one was allowed to block them in any way and there were signs all along the way to indicate the location of them. So it is with Christ, he declared. Christ is the refuge and the way to him is pointed out in the Bible. "It is always clear," Bob Jones said, "though church members seek to obscure it by picking out things they cannot understand in the Bible.

"There are lots of things in the Bible we cannot grasp," he declared, "but one thing is certain—in this book the linker is pointed to Heaven. It is absolutely clear. Don't you block it. Don't you church folks throw a dance across it. Don't you church folks throw a card party across it. Don't you throw an inconsistent life across it. Keep it clear."

Christ is a refuge from four things, the evangelist declared—an accusing conscience, the power of sin, the power of Satan and from the power of judgment. He pointed out that no man can get relief from a tormenting conscience but at the feet of Jesus; no one can resist the torrent of sin that surges within but in Jesus; no man can successfully resist the temptations set in his path by Satan, except with the aid of Christ, and no man can stand in judgment unless he has accepted Christ.

In response to Jones' invitation and the urging of the personal workers six children, seven women and five men came forward. One man who had been holding out against the importunings of the workers for several weeks, finally hit the trail amid considerable applause.

It was announced that at the three services on Sunday the tabernacle services would be for adults, or those over 13. Jose Eliot will address those under 13 at the United Presbyterian Church while the main service is on. The afternoon service will be for men.

Marry in Cumberland.

Harry Walter Mathias and Louise Gertrude Dougers, both of Mount Pleasant, were granted a marriage license in Cumberland yesterday.

AUTO CLUB'S WORK OUTLINED AT WELL ATTENDED BANQUET

Nearly 200 Hear How Organization is Saving Large Sum for Owners of Pleasure Cars.

Nearly 200 persons attended the banquet of the Connellsville Automobile Club last evening and heard what the organization, and through it, the Pennsylvania Motor Federation, is doing for the motorists of the county. Paul C. Wolf, secretary of the federation, was the guest of honor. Mr. Wolf told of the early struggles to organize the automobile owners, and of the progress made in recent years. He also told in detail what the federation has been able to accomplish.

Mr. Wolf made a plea for every automobile owner to join the local club. He showed that the federation was able at the last session of the Legislature not only to prevent an increase in the registration fees, which are now as high as those in any other state except where automobiles are taxed as personal property; but also was able to defeat the bill permitting municipalities to place a tax equal to that charged by the state on motor vehicles. He also referred to other freak legislation, such as requiring automobiles to be equipped with cowcatchers, allowing a child of any age to drive a machine, requiring a physical examination for all drivers, and measures which were introduced, but defeated through the efforts of the federation.

"The Pennsylvania Motor Federation wants sane laws enacted and enforced, but it proposes to fight to a finish all bills which would be a burden to automobile owners," said Mr. Wolf.

Mr. Wolf also called attention to the work the federation has done in reducing the number of petty prosecutions. "This helps you while on tour," he said. "Your constables don't bother you. It is the fellow who has trunks strapped on the back of his machine they post 'Keep blow' signs and speed traps to catch. We are rapidly eliminating all unjust prosecutions. We don't defend an automobile owner who violates the law and endangers life or property, but we certainly will fight the case of any motorist who is unfairly prosecuted."

Attention was called to the fact that while there are some 150,000 automobiles in the entire state the federation, through its various clubs, has only some 9,000 members. This will be increased considerably this year.

"The success or failure of a club depends entirely on the amount of energy it puts into it," he said. "If they put a few hands to all the work, those men will soon tire of their burden," the speaker said.

After the banquet a number of the visitors filed membership applications. The Connellsville club is now stronger than ever before, and proposes to keep grow.

Dr. H. J. Bell, of Dawson, spoke briefly, endorsing the club and announcing his intention of joining, which he did before leaving the meeting.

A tasty repast was spread by Proprietor Harry Griffin, of the Smith House. The tables were decorated in orange and black, the club's colors, and glass automobiles containing candy were favors. President George A. Munson acted as toastmaster. Robert Norris was invited to outline the proposed new steel industry it is hoped to bring here, but declared that he would prefer to meet the members individually, or in groups, to explain the proposition to those who might be interested.

LOSES HIS SUIT

Jury Fails to Uphold Claim Against Provision Company.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, March 31. — In a sealed verdict returned this morning, the jury in the suit of Louis Decenka against the Rohm Provision Company, of Connellsville, to recover $10,000 for the loss of his fingers in a sausage grinder in the fall of 1913, found for the defendant company. It was claimed by Decenka that the company was responsible for his injuries when dripping salt water caused him to slip and fall in such a manner as to catch his fingers in a sausage machine, but the defense claimed that the sausage maker was responsible for his own injuries, inasmuch as he violated orders in not removing the belt from the sausage grinder when it was not in operation.

Both attorneys agreeing, the court continued the hearing of the case of Angyelon Janos of Keister, against Frank Cruse and others. The action is an appeal.

Fire on Liner.

NEW YORK, March 31. — Fire which broke out in the mail room of the Holland-American line steamship Veendyk while that ship was lying in the Downs on March 14, partially destroyed and damaged 68 bags of parcel post destined for Canada and Japan, it was learned today from officers of the ship, which arrived here late yesterday from Rotterdam.

Weather Forecast

Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; warmer tonight in southeast portion; is the noon weather forecast.

The Temperature.

	1916	1915
Maximum	64	44
Minimum	38	24
Mean	51	34

The sun rises at 5:48 A. M. and sets at 6:22 P. M.

The Tough river dropped from 6.30 to 5.55 feet during the night.

BOLTS GOVERNOR WHEN ORDERED TO BOOST CAMPAIGN

Commissioner of Insurance Charges Coercion of Job-holders and Quits.

GOVERNOR'S REPLY IS WARM

Charles Johnson Declares He Has Never Seen Anything Comparable With Campaign Methods Attempted by the Administration's Leaders.

Special to The Courier.

HARRISBURG, March 31.—Insurance Commissioner Charles Johnson, Republican leader of Montgomery county, resigned last night as a protest to the manner in which Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown has been conducting the campaign in behalf of the presidential candidacy of Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh.

The resignation was accompanied by a caustic letter to the Attorney General, criticising his efforts to "line up" people for the Governor and refusing bluntly "to take orders."

The Governor accepted it in an hour with words of reproof for the commissioner's action and an assertion that Mr. Johnson had not only given him a painful surprise and written about things of which he knew nothing.

The correspondence in the matter is as follows:

Mr. Johnson's letter to the Governor:

I hereby tender my resignation from the position of insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania, to take effect at your earliest convenience.

My reasons for taking this step are set forth in a letter I have this day sent to Hon. Francis Shunk Brown, your attorney general, a copy of which I herewith inclose.

Mr. Johnson's letter to Attorney General Brown:

I am in receipt of the following letter on the stationery of your department, bearing date of March 21, 1916:

"I beg to suggest the importance of obtaining declarations of interviews from the prominent people of your district who are favorable to the Governor and the stand which he has taken for the uniting of the party, etc. These from Republicans and from Progressives who join the party and have since returned, will be most effective. They will be given publicity throughout the state.

"Please give this your present earnest attention and send such declarations, together with any other matter which you deem to be of interest and that will be helpful to me.

"With assurances of my regard and good wishes, I am,

"Very truly yours,

"FRANCIS SHUNK BROWN."

Although my name and address have been filled in on the typewriter, and the signature is your own, the letter is plainly a mimeographed copy, and has doubtless been sent to every other state official who responded to your summons to a meeting held in the Governor's private office at the Capitol on March 16.

Although I have taken an active part in politics for many years, I have never seen anything comparable with that meeting or with your mimeographed order of March 21.

The men whom you called together in the Governor's room are paid by the people of this commonwealth to transact the public business in their various departments and not to advance the interest of any man, or clique in Pennsylvania politics.

In spite of that fact, you told us in so may words that we were holding our jobs by the grace of Governor Brumbaugh, and that any one of us who would not, or could not, deliver his district for the Governor at the presidential primaries in May, would find his position with the administration decidedly uncomfortable.

For 10 years I have served this commonwealth in various capacities. During all that time I have never before been told that the price of holding office was personal service and not public service. It has never been intimated to me heretofore that the control of the voters of my county was what would be expected of me, rather than the efficient management of the public trusts placed in my hands.

The presumption shown in attempting to purchase Brumbaugh votes with salaries paid by the State of Pennsylvania is probably without precedent in American politics.

I desire to inform you that I will not take such orders. I will not endeavor to persuade or invigle prominent men in my district into making the declarations I have been asked to procure, that the declarations may be circulated, as has been alleged, at the state's expense, through the state's publicity channels.

Inasmuch as you are the recognized personal and political adviser of Governor Brumbaugh, and as such must be acting in harmony with his wishes and instructions, I have this day forwarded to the Governor my resignation, copy of which I inclose.

Governor Brumbaugh's acceptance:

I am greatly surprised that you should have taken this action without one word of conference with me concerning it or concerning the matter you refer to in your letter, to Attorney General Brown, a copy of which you inclosed. You know full well you and I have never had one word, directly or indirectly, in reference to the subject matter of that conference, nor was I in Harrisburg when the meeting was held. To say the least you have grossly misunderstood, if not misrepresented it in toto, what I learn definitely was the spirit and purpose of that meeting.

It may not be amiss to say to you that when almost one year ago your re-appointment to the position you now hold was under consideration, I was constrained to act favorably at the urgent request of Hon. Charles A. Ambler of your home county.

I think it only right to say this much to you in accepting your resignation—which I now do.

SEVENTH CAVALRY WINS FIRST CLASH IN THE FIELD WITH THE TROOPS OF FRANCISCO VILLA

Mexican Rebels, 500 Strong Lose Commander and 30 Men.

SEVERAL AMERICANS WOUNDED

Carranza Consul at El Paso Gets Report from South of Fighting Between Bandits and American Expeditionary Force; Villa is Wounded.

By Associated Press.

EL PASO, Texas, March 31.—Mexican Consul Garcia announced today that he had been informed by General Gavira, Carranza commander at Juarez, that the latter had received word that the American troops had been engaged in battle with Villa forces.

According to General Gavira's information, which was supplied in a telegram from Lieutenant Colonel Refugio Davilla, at Casas Grandes, the fight took place yesterday at San Geronimo between the Seventh Cavalry and 500 Villa forces, the latter losing their commander, Eladeo Fernandez, and 30 men. The Americans suffered several wounded.

Colonel Davilla also wired General Gavira, according to Consul Garcia, that confirmation had been received that Villa had been wounded in the leg in the last fight with Carranza forces and is in hiding north of Guerrero.

VILLA'S FORCE LARGE.

EL PASO, Tex., March 31.—Francisco Villa has recruited his forces to formidable numbers in his flight before the pursuing columns of American cavalry it is reported and if cornered will be in a position to give stout resistance.

Advices received here today by Mexican officials stated that Villa and his men had soundly whipped the Carranza garrison at Guerrero under the command of General Cavazos whose forces were said to number only 50 soldiers. Villa according to the information obtained by Mexican Consul Garcia, still occupied Guerrero.

Information in the hands of Major General Funston at San Antonio and made public last night was that Villa had killed 172 men—everyone in the Guerrero garrison—and that the bandit was now near the headwaters of the Santa Maria river. Since passing southward of Namiquipa, having temporarily eluded his pursuers, Villa is reported to have adopted every means to strengthen his command which earlier in his flight he had scattered in small bands because the American cavalry were hot on his trail.

NAB HARRISON GANG

Last of Three Wanted for Train Robbery Arrested at Atlanta.

By Associated Press.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 31.—Postal inspectors here for weeks have been trying to arrest members of the so-called "Harrison gang" in connection with several train robberies today announced that the men in jail here and known as Jim Bohannan really is Charles Harrison, one of the three brothers under arrest.

Henry Grady Webb, a well known young man of Birmingham and Atlanta, left Birmingham just before the inspectors expected to arrest him yesterday. A message to arrest Webb was sent through the south.

Investigation of the robbery of a Baltimore & Ohio train near Central, W. Va., in October, lead the officers from Grand Rapids to New Orleans. It resulted in the arrest of Jeff Harrison at San Antonio, Richard Harris, at Grand Rapids; Carl Rentz, a nephew of the Harrisons, at Cincinnati, and Charles Harrison here.

When Charles Harrison was confronted with his identity today, the police say, he freely admitted it and told them that he was not implicated in the Central Station robbery, but knew all about it and had been "sticking up" his brothers and the others for "hush money."

BREAKS A LEG.

Dunbar Girl is Struck When Big Pole Breaks.

Miss Mary Roha, of Dunbar, 15 years old, while assisting her father, Matthew Roha, to clear ground, yesterday afternoon, suffered a fracture of the left leg when a large pole broke and struck her. The injured girl was brought to Connellsville and removed to the Cottage State hospital for treatment of the injury.

Peter Even, of Champion, 35 years old, while at work for the McFarland Lumber Company this morning, was accidentally struck on the leg by a hatchet, suffering a bad cut. He was admitted to the hospital.

On Way South.

L. A. Brown, of Perrypolis, was in town this morning on his way to Dayton, Florida. He will be accompanied home by his wife and son, who spent the winter in the south.

SENDS CHECKS OFF

Uniontown Depositors Will Soon Receive a Dividend.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, March 31.—Receiver John H. Strawn of the defunct First National Bank of Uniontown, has sent to Washington for signature of the comptroller of the currency 3,500 checks for a 10 per cent dividend to be paid the depositors.

As soon as these checks are returned from Washington to Receiver Strawn they will be sent to the depositors.

MALANCOURT IS LOST BY FRENCH IN SEVERE BATTLE

German Infantry Attacking on Three Sides, Drives Allied Troops to the Outskirts.

PARIS, March 31.—The Germans delivered a fierce night attack on three sides of the village of Malancourt, says the French official statement issued this morning, and the French retired from the village proper, which was in ruins, but continue to hold its outskirts.

Fierce infantry fighting lasted for the entire night before the French withdrew from the untenable positions in the village of Malancourt, the official statement adds.

The Germans again tried to carry by assault the positions which the French had won back in the Avocourt wood, but they were repulsed. East of the Meuse the night was calm.

BERLIN, March 31. — Capture of the village of Malancourt in the Verdun region, west of the Meuse, was announced by the war office today. The Germans took 328 prisoners.

DISCUSS FOREIGN ISSUE.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Chairman Stone of the Senate foreign relations committee and Chairman Flood of the House foreign affairs committee went over the submarine situation fully with Secretary Lansing today.

The situation with Germany was described officially as not alarming, it was said, and it was said that the two committee chairmen had not come to the State Department by appointment, but had come separately seeking information for the guidance of members of Congress.

BOMBARD SWISS TOWN.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, March 31.—Two aeroplanes of unknown nationality dropped five bombs at dawn this morning on the small Swiss village of Porentory near the French frontier. Some damage to property was caused.

DON'T BLAME SIGNALMAN

Probers Tentatively Exonerate Him as Cause of Wreck.

By Associated Press.

CLEVELAND, O., March 31.—With the main issue before them whether man failure or machine failure caused the wreck of three New York Central trains near Amherst, O., early Wednesday, federal and state investigators planned today to go to the bottom in an inquiry that was expected to last throughout the day.

The probable convening this morning of the representatives of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Ohio Utilities Commission, it was understood that A. H. Ernst, the signal towerman, had been tentatively absolved from blame for the wreck, the death list of which was placed at 28.

At the opening of the hearing W. H. Belnap, chief of the Interstate Commerce Commission's division of safety, who presided, ordered the exclusion of all witnesses from the room until the time came for them to testify. This was to prevent possible collusion by witnesses in telling the same story from the stand.

BIG CIRCUS COMING.

Hagenback-Wallace Shows Coming on Monday, May 8.

The Hagenback-Wallace circus, one of the biggest on the road, will show in Connellsville on Monday, May 8. An advance man was in the city today arranging to lease what used to be Fayette Field. He had a hard time locating anyone authorized to rent the park.

The circus man first called up Mayor Marietta who referred him to the school authorities in the belief that the high school athletic association had leased the park. Superintendent Ashe referred him to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad which still owns the tract, the lease to H. C. Hays having expired.

PLANT MAY CLOSE.

Westinghouse Shell Shop Crippled by Strike of Tool Repairmen.

By Associated Press.

PITTSBURG, March 31.—Unless the strike of the tool repairmen in the plants of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company is settled by Saturday night it was stated today, 3,500 men employed in the shell shop will be compelled to quit work because of a lack of tools.

Eight hundred men were directly affected by yesterday's walkout, which was precipitated when the management refused an increase of 10 per cent in wages and double time for extra work Sunday and holidays.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The girls of the Eight grade of the South Side schools tendered Miss Clara B. Getchell a farewell surprise party Tuesday evening at her home in Vine street. The evening was enjoyably spent at various amusements. Dainty refreshments were served. Miss Getchell will accompany her parents to Greensburg to reside.

The marriage of Miss Hazel Malone of Herbert and Roscoe Valentine of Fairmont took place Wednesday evening at the home of the bride. Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Malone, Miss Dessa Malone, Herbert and Charles Smith of Connellsville.

Mrs. J. A. Lyon entertained the Friday Afternoon Bride Whist Club this afternoon at her home in East Main street. Three tables were called into play. Luncheon was served at the close of the games.

Miss Sarah Moser of Uniontown and James F. Baird of Brownsville, were married yesterday at the First Methodist Protestant parsonage in Uniontown.

Mrs. Loren Jones met with a number of business women last night at the close of the tabernacle services and discussed briefly plans for the Business Women's Christian Association recently organized. A teacher will be chosen at a meeting Sunday afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church. Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Jones conducted short services at the Connellsville Steam Laundry. Next Thursday Mrs. Jones will address a meeting of the Business Women's Club of Pittsburg.

Mrs. John H. Risbeck entertained yesterday afternoon at her home in Squirrel Hill, Pittsburg in honor of her niece, Miss Helen Oliver of Butler. Mrs. Risbeck was assisted in receiving by Mrs. H. F. Atkinson of this city.

George C. Mathony of Indian Head and Sara G. Hofelt of Jones Mills; Joseph E. Pike and Myrtle Sullenbarger of Smithfield; Virgin Edgar Branson and Irene Howard of Connellsville, were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown yesterday.

PERSONAL

Solson Theatre today—Lottie Pickford in "The Diamond From the Sky," 2 reels. Grace Cunard in "Orders is Orders," 2 reels. Myrtle Gonzales in "Lonesomeness." The Animated Weekly with latest styles in Paris gowns. Tomorrow, Alice Brady and Holbrook Blinn in "The Ballet Girl," 5 reels.—Adv.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Julius Hamburg of Scottdale, was visiting relatives here yesterday.

Mrs. H. W. Leeig is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Poole in Greensburg.

Mrs. J. L. Stader went to Latrobe this afternoon to visit relatives.

The condition of Sidney Stahl who is ill of scarlet fever at his home in Gallatin avenue is improved.

See Rapport-Featherman Company's furniture ad on Page 7.

Mrs. J. P. Brennen and daughter Helen of Scottdale were in town this morning on their way to Cumberland. On their return they will stop off in Meyersdale to visit Mrs. Brennen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shannon.

Miss Martha Wahler of Uniontown and Albert Sidehamer of Connellsville, were married at the First Methodist Protestant parsonage in Uniontown. Rev. R. I. Wilson, the pastor officiated. Mrs. Sidehamer is bookkeeper for the H. C. Frick Coke Company at Davidson.

Mrs. John Weaver of Confluence was shopping in town yesterday.

Mrs. E. R. Kooser went to Jeannette this morning to visit relatives.

"No tailor within a hundred miles has ever given better woolens or workmanship than we put into our garments. Dave Cohen, Tailor.—Adv.

Mrs. Bob Jones and son, Jr., will leave this evening on Baltimore & Ohio train No. 12 for New York, N. Y. The remainder of the party will not leave until Monday.

Miss Irene Nabors has returned home from a visit with friends in Uniontown.

FORMER CONNELLSVILLE MAN MEETS HIS DEATH IN MEXICO

Details of Tragedy are Unknown and Relatives Fear He May Have Been Slain by Mexicans.

Frank M. Passavant, 32 years old, a former well known resident of this city, and located in Panuco, Mexico, for the past six years, was killed Wednesday, according to a telegram received yesterday by Miss Grace Searson of this city, a sister-in-law. No details of the accident were given. The telegram stated, "Frank was killed in accident March 29." Details are lacking, probably having been detected by the censor, and this gives rise to the suspicion that he may have been a victim of Mexicans.

Mr. Passavant was held superintendent for the Penn-Mex Oil Company in Mexico. He returned to Connellsville last summer on account of an injury to the knee. He had an operation performed in a Pittsburg hospital and recovered sufficiently to return to Mexico last August.

Mr. Passavant was a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Passavant of Lincoln Place, near Pittsburg, and was a grandson of the founder of the Passavant Hospital, Pittsburg. His parents resided here for a number of years. Mr. Passavant married Miss Mary Searson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Searson, formerly of Connellsville, and now located at Brooker, Fla. Several years ago Mr. and Mrs. Passavant and their two children left for Mexico. Mrs. Passavant and children returned about a year ago and later accompanied her parents to Florida, where they have since been located.

In addition to his widow and two sons, Robert and Eugene, Mr. Passavant is survived by his parents and the following brothers: Benjamin Passavant of Parkersburg, W. Va.; John, Louis and Harry Passavant of Lincoln Place, and Herman Passavant of Steubenville, O. A sister, Mrs. Eliza Tomassan, died about a month ago in New York. A telegram received by Pittsburg relatives from Mrs. Passavant stated the body would be shipped to Pittsburg.

SHAKESPEAREAN RECITAL.

Charles Richman, Well Known Actor, Reads to High School.

Charles Richman a Shakespearean actor of considerable note, gave readings from the great poet's works in the high school at chapel exercises this morning and again at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Richman read Mark Anthony's funeral oration and a humorous scene from "As You Like It." In the morning selections from the Merchant of Venice, Macbeth and Hamlet this afternoon.

Read The Daily Courier.

You Can't Be "Neutral" on the food question. You have to decide between mere palate-foods that contain no nutriment and foods that repair the bodily waste. Shredded Wheat Biscuit is both a palate-food and a muscle builder. You can keep in good health and at the top-notch of physical fitness by eating this delicious, ready-cooked, whole wheat cereal for breakfast, luncheon or any meal.

Made at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

FIRST ELECTRIC STEEL FURNACE IN THE SOUTH

Is Placed in Successful Operation in the Anniston-Talladega District of Alabama.

The first run of the first electric steel furnace installed in the South was made a few days ago at Anniston, Ala. The furnace is the nucleus of an installation of three furnaces which will be made in the Anniston-Talladega district. The furnace just placed in operation is of the Heroult type, with a capacity of five to six heats of 6 tons each per 24 hours, or an output of 30 to 36 tons per day, or about half the capacity of the plant proposed to be installed in Connellsville.

The furnace at Anniston will be operated on steel scrap, and the electric power will be supplied by the Alabama Power Company, which also owns the steel plant. The furnace will be operated in conjunction with the Anniston Ordnance Company. Ingots will be produced by the steel company and sold to the ordnance company, which is at present operating on a large order of shells for foreign countries. It is the purpose of the steel company to eventually work into the manufacture of high-grade tool and cutlery steel.

M. & K. TRAIN HERE.

It Brings Passengers in From Morgantown.

Passengers on Baltimore & Ohio train No. 51 were brought into the city on a Morgantown & Kingwood train last evening, the former train being stopped at Board, W. Va., when the trucks of the tank left the tracks. Unable to proceed any further, a Morgantown & Kingwood train was secured to bring the passengers to Connellsville.

A switching engine was off the tracks at Youngstown yesterday evening for a short time.

Celebrates Birthday.

In the presence of his children, grandchildren and other relatives, J. J. Rush, one of the oldest and most highly respected residents of Ursina, celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday yesterday. The gathering was a surprise. All but three of his children were present. At noon an elaborate dinner was served. Mr. Rush enjoys good health. Mr. Rush is the father of Logan Rush, county commissioner. Among the out of town persons present were Mr. and Mrs. Walker Huey of Connellsville. Mrs. Huey is a stepdaughter of Mr. Rush.

NIGHT GOWNS AT $1.00

In a variety of dainty styles, low neck and short sleeves, trimmed with lace and embroidery.

THE E. DUNN STORE
The Home of Quality and Service
129 to 133 N Pittsburg St Connellsville, Pa.

CREPE DE CHINE CORSET COVERS $1.00

Prettily trimmed with fine shadow or fisheye lace—in white or flesh, many styles, in all sizes.

Great Pre-Easter Sales

Best Easter stocks in a showing that will appeal to the refind tastes of style-and-quality particular women—hundreds of stylish, perfectly tailored coats, suits and dresses, representing the best efforts of the cleverest style creators of both Europe and America—in a vast array especially priced for tomorrows selling.

Here Are Suits at $13.50.

Possessing an unusual amount of style and value—former prices up to $18.75.

Women's and Misses Suits at $18.50.

Displaying style lines featured in high priced Suits—prices up to $22.50—in plain colors, checks and mixtures.

Unusual Suit Values at $22.50.

Embracing values up to $30.00—Suits of assured quality and style-merit, in silk, plain cloths and checks.

This pre-Easter sale of Suits, Coats and Dresses is the city's most extensive and varied collection of style-and-quality-sure garments, including such a diversity of styles that each individual type of figure may readily be suited—exclusive styles, and splendid values mark the display.

Coats at $12.00

In mixtures, checks, plaids and plain colors, some with large cuffs, patch pockets and convertible collars—felt and leather trimmings—at this price are included the better checks and over-plaids, beautifully trimmed, and considered very modish.

Coats at $15.00.

Light and medium weight Coat—one a heavy English covert cloth with slash pockets, trimmed in black velvet collars and cuffs—buttons to match—also serges, mixtures, checks and over-plaids. Coats suitable for all ages and all sizes.

Coats at $25.00.

Fine weight diagonal serge, with flared skirt, large convertible collar, trimmed with felt—green satin lining, large fancy buttons to match; turn-back cuffs. This model also in black.

Tomorrow—Children's Day Featuring Juvenile Styles for Easter

Rompers, 1 to 6 Years, 50c

Beach and playtime styles, in good quality galatea, percale, gingham and woven madras; well made and finished excellently; price 50c

Children's Colored Dresses 59c

In percale, madras, gingham and chambray, in plain colors and plaids; the new high waist effects so very popular this season; ages 2 to 14 years, at 59c

Children's White and Colored Dresses $1.00

Made in lawn, madras, percale, gingham, chambrays, linene and Devonshire cloth; with the new high waist and belt; 2 to 14 years; at $1.00

Infants' Long Dresses, 25c.

Infants' Long Dresses in nainsook, lace trimmed collar and cuffs, 6 months to 1 year at 25c

Boys' and Girls' Hats 49c

In straws, cloth, linene, pique and fancy checks, including black, brown, navy and green; made in the latest "New York Boy" and "Buster Boy" styles; sizes 6½ to 7; special 49c

Children's Fancy Hats at 98c

Girls', fancy trimmed hats, in lace, ribbons and fruit; values up to $3; special at 98c

Girls' and Boys' Hats

In imported linene, leghorn, Panama and fancy braids. In all the new and wanted colors; trimmed in ribbons, flowers, fruits, nets and fancy silks; priced at $1.50 to $3.50

Juvenile Dresses, Exclusive Styles

We show in white and colored dresses the most exclusive styles shown in the city. Our best models are by Madam Louise, showing the very finest linen, pique and percot dresses; price range from $1.25 to $13.50. Sizes to 18.

CHILDREN'S COATS, made from excellent quality Shepherd Check materials in the new pleated effect, with yoke in front and back. Ages 2 to 6 years. Finished in contrasting trimmings on collar and cuffs. Some have sashes; priced at $2.75

$5.00 Bon-Ton Corsets, $2.50.

High bust, long skirt, best grade coutil in silk and embroidery, twin graduated clasps; new, natural figure lines; elastic goes in sides; regularly $5.....$2.50

$3.50 Bon-Ton Corsets, $1.75.

Medium bust, long skirt; best grade coutil embroidery twin; a few athletic styles with elastic tops; regularly $3.50, special at $1.75

$1.00 Brassiers, Special 75c

It is really not necessary to sell these $1.00 brassers at 75c, for they are the new styles and good value at $1.00. These "grace builders," being more form fitting—following the lines of new corsets, will be found an additional help to you in moulding your figure to conform with prevailing fashion lines. Each one made of splendid quality buttage, trimmed with lace or embroidery; special at 75c

Other Corsets, Modart, Crown, Warner's and Rengo Belt

MILLINERY OF DISTINCTION—THAT WILL PLEASE PARTICULAR DRESSERS

at $2.95, $3.95, $4.95, up to $25.00.

Scores of bewitching new creations are appearing daily from our own workrooms as well as imported and domestic style adaptations of European designers—included are the semi-high crown models, scoop shapes, and small, medium or large sailors—al of them with pretty trimming effects of wings, fancies, fruits, flowers, vevets and ribbons.

(Millinery Department—Second Floor).

For the Week-End at

DAVIDSON'S

We Will Save You Money

At our Meat Counter you can always get the very best in Fresh Meats of all kinds; also Dress Chickens. Call us up. We make prompt delivery.

Queen Quality Flour, large sack	$1.75	California Hams, per pound	15c
Fresh Ground Corn Meal, 10-lb. sack	22c	Square Deal Bacon, per pound	14c
Fresh Soda Crackers, 3 pounds	25c	Strictly Fresh Eggs, per doz	27c
Fresh Oyster Crackers, 3 pounds	25c	Lake Herring, 10-lb. pail	65c
Fresh Ginger Snaps, 4 pounds	25c	Small Cans Milk, 6 cans	25c
Pure Jellies, 3-10c glasses	25c	Large Cans Tomatoes, 3 cans	25c
Pure Fruit Preserves, 25c jar	18c	Early June Peas, 4 cans	25c
Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 boxes	25c	Good Sugar Corn, 4 cans	25c
Burnhams Clam Bouillon, bottle	25c	Bert Olny Baked Beans, 3 cans	25c
Electric Wall Paper Cleaner, 4 cans	25c	Good Pink Salmon, a can	10c
Gold Coin Ammonia, 4 bottles	25c	Fancy Head Rice, 4 pounds	25c
Large Bottles Bluing, 3 for	25c	Lima, Navy or Roman Beans, 3 pounds	25c
Climax Washing Tablets, 4 large	25c	Choice Evaporated Apricots, 2 pounds	25c
Table Salt, 3 bags	10c	Extra Good Prunes, 3 pounds	25c
California Yellow Peaches, 2 cans	25c	Extra Choice Rio Coffee, per pound	15c
Staley's Baking Powder, 1-lb. cans	15c	Extra Choice Santos Coffee, per pound	18c
Our Own Baking Powder, 2-lb. can	20c	Swift's White Laundry Soap, 7 bars	25c
Oil Sardines, 4c can, 7 cans	25c	Gold Band Soap, 7 bars	25c
Mustard Sardines, large cans	5c	Onion Sets, 3 quarts	25c
Uncle Jerry Pan Cake Flour, package	8c		

Just Right, the Coffee that will please you; also the price—per pound, 30c.

Moxley's Special, the best Oleomargarine made; price per pound, 23c. Daisy, 5 pound drums, $1.00. Other good makes, 15c and 20c pound.

J. R. Davidson Co.

"THE STORE THAT DOES THINGS FOR YOU."

109 West Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

The Grim Reaper

CHARLES S. DOUGHERTY.

The body of Charles S. Dougherty, who died Yesterday morning at the Cottage State Hospital, was removed to Funeral Director C. C. Mitchell's parlors and prepared for burial. Tomorrow it will be shipped to Gans for interment. Mr. Dougherty was walking from Gans to Rogers Mill where he was employed. The supposition is that becoming fatigued from walking he sat down on the Indian Creek Valley railroad track, fell asleep and was not awakened by the approaching train.

Mr. Dougherty, in addition to serving in the United States army, was a Spanish American war veteran. He was a member of Company I, Tenth Pennsylvania Infantry, and while in the United States army saw service along the Mexican border.

JAMES MONTIETH.

James Montieth, 53 years old, a well known resident of Smithfield, was found dead in bed yesterday morning by his wife. When he retired Wednesday night he apparently was in his usual health. Mr. Montieth for a number of years was a blacksmith, but for some time he had been employed at the Bowood mines. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Odd Fellows of Smithfield. He is survived by his widow one son, Grant Montieth of Akron, O., and one daughter, Mrs. Ralph Minerd of Smithfield.

MRS. FERDINAND GUTH.

Mrs. Ferdinand Guth died Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock at her home in Franklin township, following an illness of pneumonia. Funeral tomorrow morning from Sacred Heart Catholic Church at Dawson, with interment in the Catholic cemetery. Deceased was born July 15, 1889, and is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters.

JOHN TAYLOR.

John Taylor, 65 years old, a well known colored resident of the West Side, died this morning at his home in North Seventh street.

MRS. HILDA LECKENBY.

Miss Hilda Slagle Leckenby, a bride of nine months, died yesterday morning in the Memorial Hospital, Johnstown, of peritonitis. Deceased was married nine months ago in Connellsville to Merl Ray Leckenby. She was born at Hooversville, July 3, 1895, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Slagle of Hooversville. In addition to her husband and parents she is survived by one brother. Funeral from the United Brethren Church at Hooversville tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

JOHN THORNDELL DIES

Aged Uniontown Man Succumbs After Several Months' Illness.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, March 31.—John Thorndell, aged 79, ex-treasurer of Fayette county and a vestryman of St. Peter's Church for a half century, died this morning at his home in Uniontown. Mr. Thorndell had been seriously ill for several months. Mr. Thorndell was actively associated with the political life of Fayette county, being Democratic county chairman for a number of years and was a delegate to a number of important conventions.

Mr. Thorndell was the son of George H. and Mary Ann (Taylor) Thorndell, and was born October 11, 1836, in North Leach, Gloucestershire, England. The Thorndell family came to America in the early thirties, and settled in Ohio, later moving to Waynesburg. Mr. Thorndell came to Uniontown when a young man and soon established a foundation here for a future business. He first engaged as a cobbler and later went into the shoe business, conducting a store in West Main street for a quarter of a century. He retired from active business in 1884.

Mr. Thorndell was married January 17, 1864, to Susan, eldest daughter of P. D. and Lydia Moser Stentz. To this union were born five daughters: Lydia, deceased; Mrs. F. W. Stentz of Youngstown, O.; Mrs. William McWilliams of Scottdale; Emma and Anna at home.

Mrs. Thorndell was also prominent in the fraternal circles of the city, ranking high in the local Masonic order. He was also a member of the I. O. O. F. order and the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Thorndell held a number of important offices in these orders and attended a number of their conventions.

Deceased is survived by his wife and four daughters.

INSPECT THEATRES

State Men Suggest Changes at One Moving Picture House.

While here yesterday State Inspectors Walter J. Lloyd and James G. Hazlett went over the three local motion picture houses and found much to criticise. A number of recommendations were made to the management of the Arcade Theatre as to exits, booths and other features. If these are not complied with, it is possible that the theatre will be closed.

The Globe Theatre and the Solsson were passed, the former passing muster largely in view of the fact that work has already begun on the construction of a new modern theatre on the lot adjoining the present theatre.

The Solsson is complying rigidly with the requirements of the law as laid down by the Department of Public Safety of the city.

Former Bell Man Here.

D. P. Lindall, formerly right of way man for the Bell Telephone Company, was a business visitor to the city last night. He is now connected with Frick & Lindsay.

Mrs. Schmitz Improved.

Mrs. Anna B. Schmitz is much improved at the West Penn Hospital Pittsburg, where she was in a critical condition with blood poisoning.

Has the Measles.

Mildred Burton, 8, daughter of Clyde Burton, of 501 York avenue, is ill with measles.

HOTEL IS CLOSED.

Chief Rottler's Hostelry at City Hall Is No More.

The Hotel de Rottler has been closed. In other words, the lodgers' room of city hall, of which Chief of Police Rottler is manager, clerk and bell boy, will accommodate no more guests this winter.

It was not condemned by the state inspectors but the mayor directed that no more vagrants be allowed to spend the night there.

Son is Born.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Conway of South Connellsville, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son. Mr. Conway is a conductor in the Baltimore & Ohio yards.

Safe Home Remedy for Skin-Troubles

Eczema, ringworm, and other itching, burning skin eruptions are so easily made worse by improper treatment that one has to be very careful. There is one method, however, that you need never hesitate to use, even on a baby's tender skin—that is the resinol treatment. Resinol is the prescription of a Baltimore doctor, put up in the form of resinol ointment and resinol soap. This proved so remarkably successful, that thousands of other physicians have prescribed it constantly for over twenty years.

Generally resinol stops itching at once, and heals the eruption quickly and at little cost. Resinol ointment and resinol soap can be bought at any druggist's.

Resinol Soap is not only unusually cleansing and softening, but its regular use gives to the skin and hair that natural beauty of perfect health which cosmetics can only imitate.

AGED SCOTTDALE PAIR CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rhodes Have Been Married for 50 Years.

OTHER NEWS OF THE MILL TOWN

Ministers Arrange to Give Brief Talks Each Sunday at the Y. M. C. A.; Mrs. Barbara Hayes is 84; Quilting Party at Mrs. Freeman's; Notes.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, March 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rhodes celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their country home on Wednesday. The children present were Mrs. Andrew Bishop, Mrs. L. P. Gaston of New Castel, Smith Rhodes of Juniata, Mrs. Joseph Baker of Pennsville, Austin, Charles and Miss Tillie at home. Twenty grandchildren were present and four great grandchildren. Mr. Rhodes is 77 and Mrs. Rhodes is 74. A very nice dinner was served.

GIVE SURPRISE PARTY.

Mrs. Jacob Rittenhouse gave a surprise for her daughter, Miss Eva at their North Chestnut street home last evening. The guests were the faculty from the Alverton high school. A dinner was served to the guests. Among those present were Miss Jessie Reed, Frank Brooks and Mr. Haverlin.

HOLDS A QUILTING.

Mrs. Jefferson Freeman entertained the women at a quilting for the missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal Church at her Spring street home yesterday. A very nice dinner was served. Among those present were Mrs. W. H. Rhoades, Mrs. M. L. Hasness, Mrs. J. L. Keithley, Mrs. Marion Trimble and mother, Mrs. F. E. DeWitt, Mrs. William Enos, Mrs. M. A. McCoombs, Mrs. F. M. Strawn, Mrs. I. B. Macy, Mrs. Mary Bloom, Mrs. J. L. Reynolds, Mrs. George Freeman, Mrs. Curtis Farmer, of Scottdale, and Mrs. Will Allison of Youngwood.

IS 84 YEARS OLD.

Mrs. Barbara Hayes celebrated her 84th birthday at the home of her son, Martin L. Hayes of Loucks avenue. From out of town was Mrs. Annie Mullin of Philadelphia and Dr. W. D. Hayes of Greensburg.

TALKS AT Y. M. C. A.

Rev. G. W. Tertush, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church will next Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock give a twenty minute talk to young men in the Y. M. C. A. The following Sunday, April 9, Rev. J. A. Agnew, pastor of the First Christian Church, will have charge of the services.

FOR SALE.

Eight-room house, bath and heater, on paved street, for $2,500.

Six-room house, good location, for $1,300

Two lots 40x120 feet each, for $150 each.

One lot 40x120, Stauffer avenue, for $250.

Two lots 60x120, Scottdale avenue, for $150 each.

Six-room house, 3 acres land, just outside of borough limits, for $1,800. E. F. DeWitt, Brennen Building.—Adv

NOTES.

Eye Specialist, A. L. Tucker, Oph. D., Brennen Building, Scottdale. 9 to 12 A. M. Evenings by appointment. —Adv.

Mrs. Joseph Korns of Iron Bridge is spending the rest of the week with friends here.

Mrs. Eva Stauffer of Mount Pleasant was shopping in Scottdale yesterday.

Ben Miller spent yesterday in Pittsburg with his brother, Samuel, who underwent a successful operation at the West Penn Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder are the guests of Mrs. A. C. Blank of Youngwood.

Mrs. William and daughter, Ruth, were callers in Pittsburg.

Mrs. F. O. Keister spent Wednesday in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Owen Daugherty is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Daugherty of Pittsburg street.

Mrs. G. F. Kelley and daughter, Mary Jane, were shopping in Connellsville.

Mrs. L. M. Skemp was a Connellsville caller on Wednesday.

Rev. J. L. Fisher will preach at the Lutheran Church on Sunday evening and will try to interest the congregation of the church in the home for the aged.

Rush Harron of Indiana Harbor is visiting here.

Mrs. J. M. Thompson, Mrs. Charles Carroll and Miss Mary R. Schoolcy were callers in Connellsville.

Harry Parker was a caller in Pittsburg.

Mrs. W. F. Stauffer and son, Donald, have returned from Atlantic City.

Mrs. J. I. Dick, Mrs. Clarence Dick and Miss Anna Dick were calling in Pittsburg yesterday.

Attorney F. B. Folk was a caller in Uniontown yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Newbrough of Dunbar was calling here yesterday.

Mrs. Thomas Maloy of Republic is the guest of friends here.

Miss Viola Stout was the guest of the Misses Kepner on Wednesday.

Mrs. William Bossart of Republic is visiting friends here.

Miss Lorna Attwood spent yesterday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keister and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carroll were calling in Pittsburg yesterday.

See Hammond-Westhampton Company's furniture ad on Page 7.

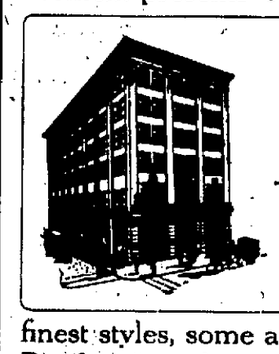
Demand for Pig Iron.

Pig iron continues in active demand in all sections, especially for foundry grades.

ASK FOR and GET
HORLICK'S
THE ORIGINAL
MALTED MILK
Cheap substitutes cost YOU same price.

MONEY SAVED ON EVERYTHING YOU BUY

April will prove a lucky month to all who secure the big specials which we will offer this month. This advertisement presents our first broadside of April money-saving specials. Before buying your home furnishings investigate. Our April specials are all brand new goods direct from the great markets at Grand Rapids, Chicago and New York. No old goods or out-of-date styles in this establishment.

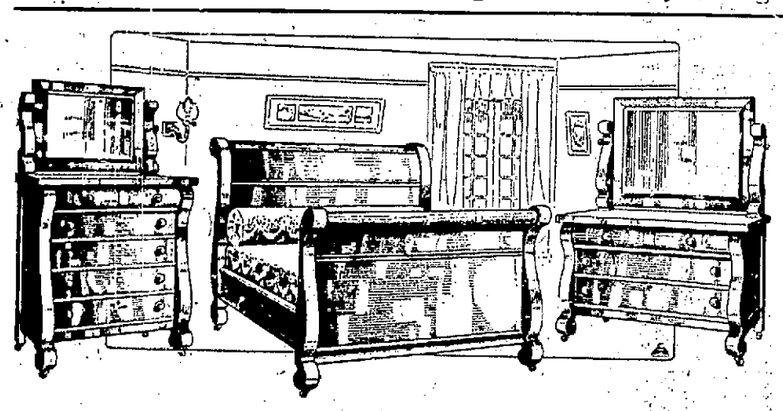


BIG SIX STORY BUILDING
AARON'S
CONNELLSVILLE, PA
YOU CAN'T GO WRONG in the RIGHT STORE

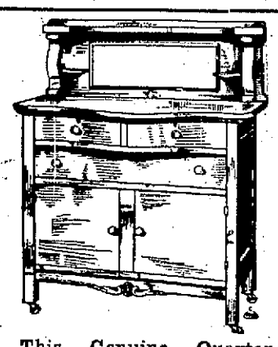
No exaggerations---you get the goods exactly as illustrated in our ads. The cuts are an exact reproduction.

If you wish credit we will give you the new kind of credit, the original Aaron Credit---pleasant---convenient.

In this April Special Event you will get the latest and finest styles, some a whole season in advance of what others show---our enormous buying power and outlet of the Four Big Stores makes possible such magnificent money-saving specials as offered in this advertisement.

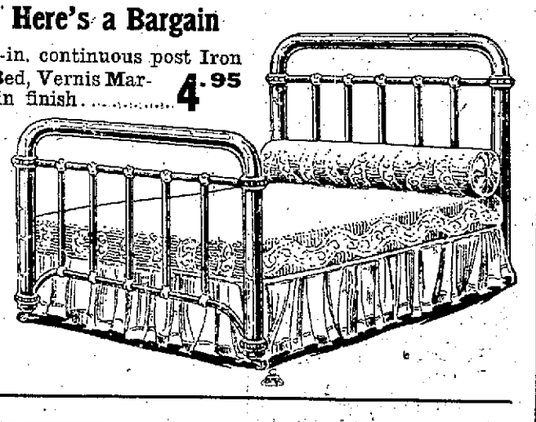


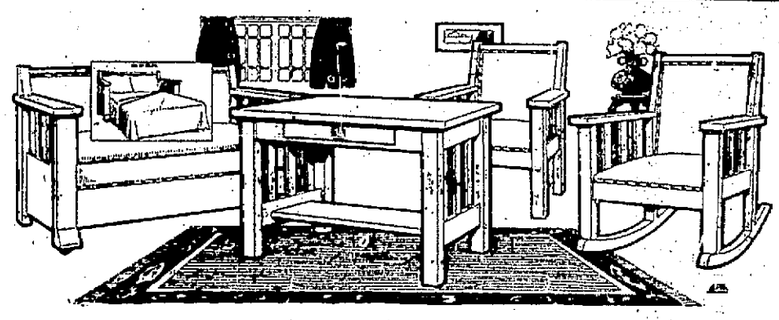
3-Piece Bedroom Suite
Genuine Quarter Sawed Oak Massive Colonial Bed Room Suite 48.00



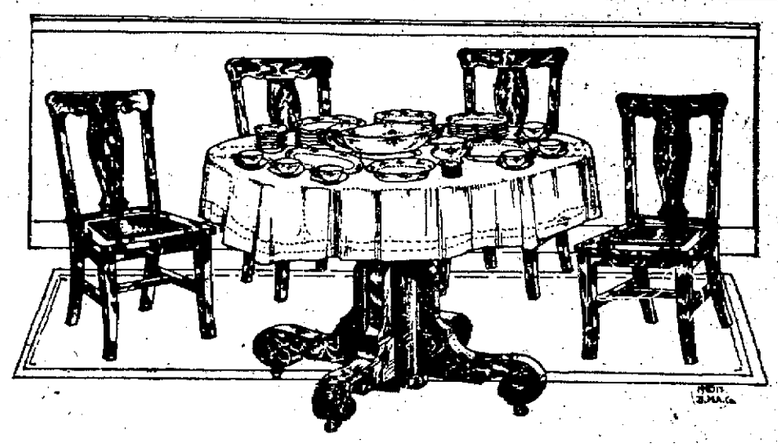
This Genuine Quarter Sawed Oak Buffet 19.75

Here's a Bargain
2-in. continuous post Iron Bed, Vernis Martin finish 4.95





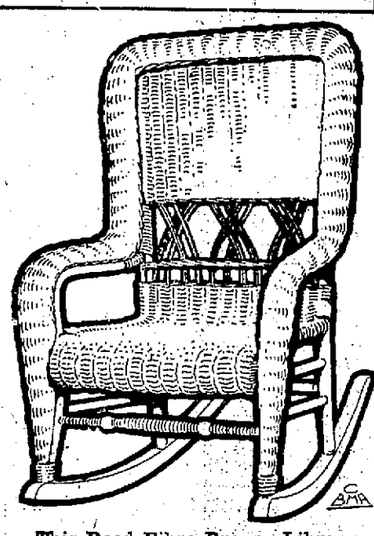
4-Piece Davenport Suite
New Pattern in 4-Piece Daveno Bed Library Suite, exactly as pictured in Genuine Oak. Special 49.50



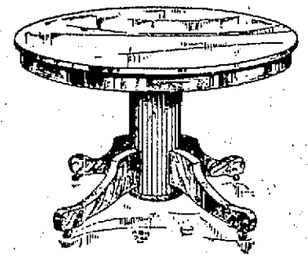
6-Piece Diningroom Suite, Special Price 21.75

Roll Door Hoosier Wonder

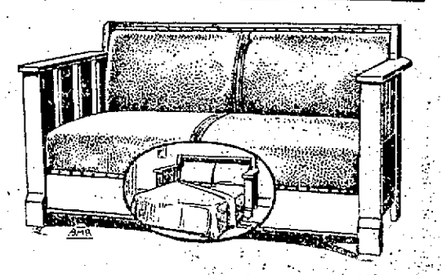
19.85 For this Roll Door Hoosier Wonder Kitchen Cabinet, equal to any $35.00 Kitchen Cabinet on the market.



This Reed Fibre Brown Library or Porch Rocker. Special 2.95



This Heavy Solid Oak 6-foot Extension Table. Special 9.75



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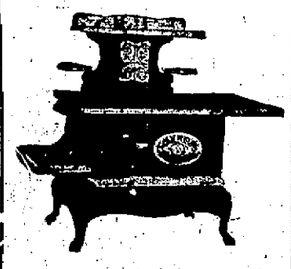

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FRIDAY EVENING, MAR. 31, 1916.

SHOW US.

The Connellsville News is very indignant because The Courier has intimated that J. V. Thompson is being persecuted for being a Republican, and says the latter should be saved from his fool friends.

The Courier holds no brief from J. V. Thompson. He is in no manner responsible for any opinions expressed in these columns concerning himself or others. The Courier has only voiced a common suspicion.

The News, on the other hand, seems to speak for the Democratic administration with the Voice of Authority. Perhaps it will be able to answer these questions:

Why was the prosecution of Thompson delayed so long after the closing of his bank?

Was it a mere coincidence that it became active when Thompson's affairs promised rehabilitation?

Why was it necessary to make a second presentment against him, and why was the court not consulted before making it?

We may be mistaken, but we have an open mind, and we are willing to be shown.

In Fayette county at least the prosecution of J. V. Thompson is not good public policy. Public policy may not always withstand the demands of official zealousy whose eager face is turned toward the brightness of the spotlight; but under cover of technical and trifling offenses Thompson should not be punished for the failure of his bank. That would not be fair to him, and, in view of the possibility of conserving his immense coal properties and eventually paying his debts it would not be fair to his creditors. His creditors are legion. If they need him he should be spared to them.

For sacrifice, better a lamb than a goat.

ARMOR PLATE.

The three armor plate plants in the country, which Senator Tillman and the Southern Congressional contingent propose to put out of business, are all located in Pennsylvania.

The first one built was solicited by the Government to engage in the business, and the others encouraged mightily. It is true they made money on the manufacture of armor plate, but it is in evidence that they furnished it at prices as low as those charged in other countries, so that they did not profit unduly all things considered.

The fact, however, that they made a profit in the past is no excuse for confiscating their property in the present. The ownership of the property is doubtless in different hands at this time.

However, the stockholders of the Pennsylvania armor plate plants need not despair. As a preparedness proposition the Government armor plate plant is a doubtful one. Experts say it cannot be built and equipped for operation under four years, and if the Government is going ahead with its greater navy proposition in earnest it will need a great deal of armor plate in the meantime.

The Bethlehem Steel Company offers to make armor plate at the Government's own prices. The proposition is much too generous.

ON ITS WAY.

Bob Jones' sermon on false religions shows how closely the Protestant churches have come together in recent years. Fifty years ago no Protestant minister would agree that sinners confessing any other faith than his own were really saved. The Protestant ministers of Connellsville believe in Bob Jones' religion, yet it has no creed but Christ and no confession but the trip down the Sawdust Trail. The Christian Church Universal is on its way, but it is hard to tell when it will get through. There are many obstructions on the track.

The announcement that the United States Steel Corporation is going to build two electric steel furnaces of the same type as that proposed at Connellsville puts our minds at rest as to the practicability of the proposition, also as to its desirability. The Steel Corporation always knows just about what it is doing in new construction. There's just a little stock left. Now is the time to subscribe.

Judge Work's other name seems to be Extra Work.

The Governor has appointed May 25th as Good Roads Day and invited everybody to get his tools in order. In the meantime, the Governor has resumed the task of sharpening his political ax for the Presidential primary.

The B. & O. is concreting what they had cribbed thus completing the cribbing of what they are concreting. If you guess this riddle you may have the answer.

Uniontown pines for a Great White Way. Uniontown has been in a bad way for some time.

The April Fool will be abroad tomorrow. Don't take everything for granted. Apply the Missouri rule.

Tomorrow will be moving day, but those in quarantine will stay on awhile.

Boss Flinn and Confidential Director Van Valkenberg are peddling the 250,000 Progressive votes cast for Pinchot around in political circles to bargain for the Colonel, but there is a strong disposition to doubt whether delivery can be made.

It seems that Connellsville has been systematically Johnsonized.

Looking Backward

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1886.

The coke trade is beginning to get back to old-time conditions of output and shipment. Of the 10,832 ovens in the region 9,876 are in blast and 956 idle. The shipments average 930 cars per day, 710 of which are handled by the syndicate and 220 by outside producers. The distribution of shipments was as follows: To western points, 450 cars; to eastern points, 225 cars; to Pittsburgh and rivers, 255 cars.

Mike Metz is sentenced to death by hanging for the murder of his cousin Cosaidonti, in Springhill township.

Nicholas Kromer purchases the Vance House at Everson from Christ Keck.

Two fat, greasy-looking disciples of Mormonism direct from Utah are doing missionary work in the north end of the coke region.

The mercantile appraiser's list shows that Connellsville has 81 merchants who pay license tax of $955 as compared with 92 in Uniontown paying $892.

Mrs. Catherine Martin, aged 100 years, three months and 6 days, supposed to be the oldest lady in Fayette county, dies at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Shaw.

Fearing that the South Pittsburg street cut will endanger the public school building the school board decides to move it 67 feet eastward to a new foundation.

The express office at Stewarton is discontinued, Agent Eicher having resigned on account of low wages.

At a county convention in Uniontown of the W. C. T. U., Miss Annie E. Cox, of Connellsville, presides and Miss Wade Whitely, of New Haven, leads the devotional exercises.

Among the disbursements by the Baltimore and Ohio Relief Association was $1,000 to the widow of George P. Filcer, who died from lung trouble; $24 to Dennis Devine for bronchitis; $9 to Lewis P. McAbee for sore throat, and $6 to James Quinn for boils.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1896.

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending March 28, shows a total of 17,947 ovens in the region, of which 11,148 are in blast, and 6,499 idle, with an estimated production of 115,234 tons, a decrease of 3,000 tons from the previous week.

Shipments for the week aggregated 6,115 cars, consigned as follows: To Pittsburg, 2,074 cars; to points west, 3,150 cars; to points east, 891 cars, a decrease of 174 cars from the previous week.

The adherents of M. S. Quay and Congressman Acheson become very active in promoting the interests of their respective candidates for Congress and delegates to the national convention.

L. L. West, C. M. Hyatt, John T. Norcross and Edward Marlette distribute twenty cans of trout fry in the mountain streams.

At a meeting of the Principals' Association of Fayette County, held at Vanderbilt, Miss Etta Berger presented a paper entitled "Scott's Home." W. H. Brown gave an address on "Co-operation" and W. D. McGinnis on "High Schools." Rev. W. A. Lisle delivered his lecture, "Names and Nicknames," to a crowded house.

Connellsville prospectors believe they have discovered a rich vein of real silver ore on the property of the Connellsville White Sand Company near Bluestone, at a point where, several years previously Martin Joyce, the contractor, made a similar discovery and spent considerable money installing machinery to treat the so-called ore.

Elijah Kooser, a respected citizen of Springfield township, dies at age of 76 years.

F. O. Goodwin buys for $10,000 33½ front feet of the Aaron Bishop property on East Main street, adjoining the laundry, for the purpose of enlarging the plant.

The advantages of Connellsville as a manufacturing center are being advertised through a special issue of 20,000 copies of The Courier.

John P. Brennen resigns as general manager of the McClure Coke Company.

The comptroller of the currency authorizes the renewal of the charter of the First National Bank for a period of 20 years.

The partnership of Kurtz & Freed, Main street merchants, is dissolved, George B. Freed retiring. The business will be continued as H. and J. Kurtz.

The Yough Driving Association is organized at Dawson with P. G. Cochran, president; J. R. Laughley, secretary, and John H. Wurtz, treasurer. A Fourth of July meet is planned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 1906.

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending March 31, shows a total of 23,317 ovens in the region, of which 21,155 are in blast and 2,162 idle, with an estimated production of 272,005 tons.

Shipments for the week aggregated 14,343 cars, consigned as follows: To Pittsburg, 4,945 cars; to points west, 8,084 cars; to points east, 1,819 cars, a gain of 400 cars over the previous week.

S. J. Harry, the contractor, is sinking coal test holes near Normalville.

The petition for the appointment of viewers to assess the value of the Yough Bridge is presented in court.

The Ministerial Association requests the School Board to make arrangements for an annual baccalaureate sermon to be delivered to the graduating class on a day of worship.

The report of P. H. Harmening, P. M. Piersol and W. J. Herbert, auditors, shows the receipts of New Haven borough in 1905 to have been $9,620.95; expenditures, $7,964.36. Resources are given as $11,432.96; liabilities, $13,021.31, making net indebtedness, $2,488.35.

Blaine G. Weimer and Miss Olive Meyers elope to Cumberland and are married.

The date of the Centennial celebration is advanced to August 14.

J. B. Hogg opens the Hogg Addition to lot purchasers.

"Connellsville's School Children In Competition With Others"

ARTICLE IX.

It is fair to compare the public school system of Connellsville with the public school system of other cities with no important element omitted in the comparison. It is not only fair, but it is the only just way to measure development and success of the local school system.

Parents naturally concerned about the future of their children should bear in mind that their children will find themselves some day as men and women in competition and conflict with the men and women who are the products of the school systems of other cities.

No civic effort, no booster movement, no municipal improvement, no commercial or industrial development (and not all of them combined) means to Connellsville what the training of its children in the schools means.

The Connellsville Board believes that the patrons of the city want their children to have as much as any other good school system offers. The School Board, therefore, after a careful survey fixed $250,000.00 as the sum of money needed for the physical improvements of the schools of Connellsville. It asks the people to decide at the special election whether or not bonds to this amount shall be issued.

J. R. DAVIDSON,
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OMER WOOD,
Connellsville Board of School Directors.

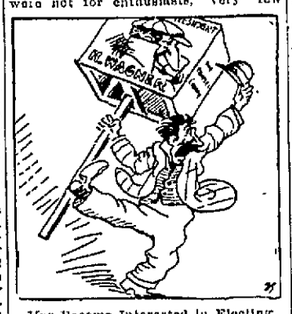
Enthusiasm

By GEORGE FITCH,
Author of "At Good Old Siwash."

Enthusiasm is to a man what gasoline is to a motor. Fill a man with enthusiasm, touch him off, and he will revolve about an idea for years without stopping.

Enthusiasm keeps mere cranks in motion than steam does. It can get twice as much work out of a man as ambition can. Ambition will make a man burn midnight oil in his study, but enthusiasm will make a man fill a torch with it and carry it for 11 miles in a new suit on a cold October night. Enterprises are conducted by brains, money and work, but most of them were started by enthusiasm. There is always a wild-eyed enthusiast ready to help every new scheme into the world and another to sit beside it and try to fan it into life long after it is dead.

An enthusiast is a concentrated optimist. He can sit down on the coldest day in January and raise 1,100 bushels of potatoes on a sand plot in Idaho. He can take a personal friend by the arm on a cold, windy corner and talk to him about a new airship line or an invention for tying shoe strings until that friend climbs a telephone pole to get away. If it were not for enthusiasts, very few



Has Become Interested In Electing Hans Wagner President

fraternal societies or subscription campaigns, or patent furnaces would have a chance for life in this cruel world. No matter how unpromising a plan may be, it is sure to ignite at least one enthusiast who will get up meetings and head subscriptions. If a project to put a red, white and blue sash around Washington's monument were to be launched it would find several supporters who would stop work for a week and come down town nights to attend mass meetings in its interest.

Some men not only have enthusiasm, but are subject to it on the slightest provocation. They are in a continual state of enthusiasm, but not on the same subject. These men are interesting, but not useful. Tell one of these men that you have a project and he will cry "Hurrah for it! What is it?" Then he will leap to your aid and take your plan, add to it, embellish it, put balequins and wings on it, transform it into a project to rebuild the universe and then forget all about it because he has become interested in electing Hans Wagner president.

Enthusiasm is as useful as the horse—but only when it is harnessed and has learned what "Whoa" means.

Abe Martin.

A feller can't be hampered by facts an' information an' be a good orator.

Pony Mopps is home from barber's college smoilin' like a potted hyacinth.

Sylvia Pash proposed t' Pinkey Kerr t'day, but it was so sudden he asked for a respite.

It seems like nothin' ever gits t' goin' till there's a few resignations.

Classified Advertisements

Wanted.

WANTED — YOUR BARBERING business RENDINE'S

WANTED—BOY. MUST BE 16 PEOPLES' HARDWARE & FURNITURE STORE. 31mar2t

WANTED—FOR PAINTING, GRAINING, decorating and paper hanging see JACK MITCHELL. mar10-10t-eod

WANTED—BOYS TO WORK IN factory. None under sixteen need apply RIPLEY & CO. 31mar6t

WANTED—5,000 CUSTOMERS FOR Saturday April 1st Pure lard 11c per pound DIAMOND CASH MARKET, in basement 31mar1t

For Rent.

FOR RENT—SIX ROOM HOUSE, Vine street. Inquire 401 Cedar avenue 29mar1t*

FOR RENT—FOUR ROOM MODERN house, rent reasonable. Apply D SOLES, Franklin avenue. 25mar5t

FOR RENT—JOS A MASON, THE Renting Agent, has houses in all sections of town for rent. 25mar1t

FOR RENT—EIGHT ROOM UP TO date house. West Side. A E WAGONER, Tri-State 825-X 31mar3t-eod

FOR RENT—MODERN DWELLING house No. 1204 Race St J. DONALD PORTER, Second Nat Bank Bldg. 15mar1t

FOR RENT—FOUR, FIVE AND SIX room apartments with all conveniences, including heat. J. DONALD PORTER, Second Nat. Bank Bldg 15mar1t

FOR RENT—ONE FOUR ROOM apartment, furnished, and one four room flat unfurnished Also one store room. W. H BARNES, 111 East Main street. 27mar1t

FOR RENT—FOUR ROOM COTTAGE with water and gas, large garden. On Franklin avenue Rent $10.00 per month Inquire J. C LYTLE, Fairview avenue. 30mar1t

For Sale.

FOR SALE—CHEAP, ONE SECOND hand automobile. Apply J. M YOUNG 30mar6t

FOR SALE—SODA FOUNTAAIN Inquire BEIGHLEY'S PHARMACY, West Side. 30mar3t

FOR SALE—25-HORSE POWER D. C. motor in A1 condition Apply The Courier office 29mar1t

FOR SALE—HATCHING EGGS $1.00 for 15 Rosecomb black Minorcas, best winter layers WM GRIFFITHS 31mar1t

FOR SALE—ONE GROCER'S REfrigerator, cost $170.00 Will sell at a bargain O D. WEIMER, Scottdale, Pa. 30mar1t

FOR SALE—EIGHT ROOM HOUSE Modern, first-class condition Convenient to car line Address "House," care The Courier. 13mar1t

FOR SALE—BRIGHTON GAS ENgine, 6 H P., with water tank at bargain to quick buyer THE COURIER COMPANY, Connellsville Pa 2feb-tfd

FOR SALE—TWO FRESH COWS ON Dave Parkhill farm C S. MARTIN, R. F. D No. 1, Connellsville 31mar1t*

FOR SALE—VIRGINIA, WEST VIRginia and North Carolina farms, orchards coal and timber lands A. J THOMPSON, Romney, W Va 31mar3t-eod

FOR SALE—SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 3 pounds of good boiling beef, 25c, 2 pounds chuck roast, 25c DIAMOND CASH MARKET in basement 31mar1t

FOR SALE—SINGLE COMB WHITE leghorn hatching eggs, $1.00 hundred Incubator chicks $10.00 hundred G W. NEWCOMER, Route 1, Connellsville 31mar2t*

FOR SALE—SIX ROOM HOUSE with bath, hot water heater etc, lot 80x120 fruit trees bearing, also grapes Inquire 402 East Francis Avenue 20mar6t-eod*

FOR SALE—A SIX-ROOM MODERN dwelling with all conveniences, in Connellsville, lot 80x400, price $4,200. Thos J Diskin, Scottdale, Pa mar11-tf

FOR SALE—34 ACRE FARM, 5 cent street car fare from Scottdale for $1,000.00 Can give immediate possession B. F. DeWITT, Brenner Building, Scottdale, Pa. Bell Phone 96-R 31mar2t

FOR SALE—A WELL CULTIVATED farm of sixteen acres suitable for poultry or trucking, six room house, abundance of fruit all outbuildings price $2,800 Thos J Diskin Scottdale, Pa mar11-tf

For Sale.

FOR SALE—ONE TWENTIETH Century Merry-go-Round, in first class order. Ready for road For information write or call 911, ring 11 J F DORSEY, Scottdale, R D No 21 box 50. 28mar6t

Lost.

LOST—ON SATURDAY EVENING, between Wright-Metzler store and West Penn station or on Vanderbilt car leaving Connellsville at 10 o'clock, pocketbook containing two ten dollar bills and P & L. E card pass with owner's name inside Suitable reward if returned to Courier office 29mar2t

Personal.

PALMIST, ASTROLOGER, MISS ST Germaine, McKinley Hotel Room 20 Hours 11 to 12, 1 to 6, 7 to 9 Hands, cards, astrology, 50 cents Leaving soon Cards 25c. 28mar6t

DR R L CARSON, CHIROPRACTOR, of Uniontown, formerly of Connellsville, will open an office on the second floor of the Woolworth Building, West Main street Connellsville, on Tuesday, April 4 The office will be open all day on Tuesdays and Fridays, and from 2 30 to 4.30 P M on Sundays 29mar1t*

Executors Notice

ESTATE OF JANE WALLACE GUILER, late of the city of Connellsville, Fayette county Pennsylvania, deceased Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to me, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against said estate, to present them properly authenticated for settlement JOHN A GUILER Executor, Connellsville, Pa H G MAY Attorney 24mar6t-Fri

Dissolution Notice.

Weil & Thorp Attorneys, 821 Frick Building, Pittsburg, Pa

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on the 30th day of March, 1916 the Youghiogheny & Cheat River Railroad Company filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania its petition at No 2121 April Term, 1916, praying for a decree of dissolution, and that a hearing upon said petition for dissolution has been fixed by the court for the 22nd day of April, 1916, at ten o'clock A M, when and where all persons interested may attend and show cause against the granting of the prayer of said petition, if they so desire WEIL & THORP, Attorneys for petitioner. 31mar3t-fri

Divorce Notice.

L B Brownfield Attorney

Burton Lewis Wheaton vs Burna Wheaton

In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No 29, June Term, 1915

To Burna Wheaton respondent you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case having been returned "Non est inventus" you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county Pa on the first Monday of April of said Court A D 1916, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named

THOMAS L HOWARD, Sheriff mar10-4t-fri

Certificate Re-Extending Charter.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT OFFICE of Comptroller of the Currency Washington, D C March 24th, 1916

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Connellsville," located in the city of Connellsville in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, has complied with all the provisions of the Act of Congress to enable National Banking Associations to extend their corporate existence, and for other purposes, approved July 1, 1892 as amended by the Act approved April 12, 1902

NOW, THEREFORE, I JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS Comptroller of the Currency do hereby certify that The First National Bank of Connellsville, located in the City of Connellsville, in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended articles of association, namely until close of business on March 21 h, 1936

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and Seal of office this twenty-fourth day of March, 1916 JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS, Comptroller of the Currency Charter No 2329 Extension No 1201 27mar30t

IRON, WOODWORKING AND CONTRACTORS MACHINERY—New and second hand. Machine tools, lathes, drills, shapers, planers, presses. Garage machinery Gas and gasoline engines. Pumps, electric motors Engines, Boilers, Planers, band saws, etc Sawmill outfits. Belting pulleys shafting Contractors' equipment. Concrete mixers ten foot capacity, only $275.00; six-foot, $195.00. Everything in machinery and supplies Special prices Write today RAHO MACHINERY CO., 122 Water St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Stirring News for Easter Shoppers

We want to interest the men in this advertisement; we want to call their attention to the Easter shopping time. By that, we mean it is time for the men to be buying their Easter Suits, their general Easter outfits. Our stocks of ready-made clothing for men are good. We have a popular priced line, principally blues and blacks, staples, fashionable, medium prices—ten to twenty dollars, high class goods, good fitting, well trimmed, and very stylish. We also have a remarkably fine line of boys' clothing—short pants suits or long pants suits, ranging from $2.50 upward. In our line of boys' suits, the styles, the make, the trimmings, the fitting, everything is high class, and the values or the prices are very reasonable. The wonderful sales of this line of goods is evidence of the extraordinary value. We also have complete stocks of shoes for men and boys; hats; all sorts of furnishings such as collars, neckwear, gloves, hosiery, etc. We have especially large and especially attractive lines for Easter. Remember we make clothing to order. If you cannot find anything in our ready-made line of suits, you should look at our sample line of made-to-order goods. They are also moderate in price. We take your measure, get prompt deliveries, and at a reasonable price. We believe it would be to your interest to patronize a Union Supply Company clothing department.

Union Supply Co.

63 Large Department Stores,

Located in Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny Counties.

The Name Hooper & Long

On any pair of Shoes you buy is a distinguishing and convincing mark of quality—a positive guide to satisfaction.

Men's Shoes From $3.00 to $6.50.

Women's Shoes From $2.75 to $6.00.

Wear our Shoes once and you'll always wear them.

HOOPER & LONG

The Everlasting Postage Stamp

Josh Billings said that the beauty of a postage stamp was that "it stuck right on the job until it got there."

That is what newspaper advertising will do if you let it.

It will keep right at it day in and day out, carrying its message to people ready to receive it.

And each time it will be planting the seeds of the profit plant.

Advertising is no business for a quitter but it is a mighty force for the man who knows how to hold fast.

RIGID PROBE IS STARTED INTO THE SELLING OF BAD MEAT

Health Officer at Mt. Pleasant Follows Up Latest Clue.

CHILD IS SCALDED TO DEATH

John Balent, Aged 5, Falls Backward Into a Tub of Water; Kobackers Rush Work on Their New Building Which They Will Occupy April 10.

Special to The Courier.

MOUNT PLEASANT, March 31.—Frank Simpson, health officer, has started investigating the communication received by council on Monday evening concerning the buying of crippled and diseased cattle and selling it in town. Mr. Simpson stated that as he went along the rural mail route tis had been mentioned to him and he had told those persons to write council. Only one man, who evidently buys his meat in Mount Pleasant, wrote such a letter.

Mr. Simpson said that he had been told that in several instances the cattle and hogs were too ill to be brought to town and were killed in the yards where they were bought. Mr. Simpson is having the aid of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon and the State Board of Health in this matter and it will be probed thoroughly.

John Balent, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Balent, 5 years old, fell backwards into a tub of water while his mother was washing at her Hecla home yesterday afternoon and was scalded to death. Coroner James Harkins was notified and viewed the body. An effort will be made to keep the body until Sunday when funeral services will be held. The mother, who had been washing, had the tub of water on the floor and the child, who was playing on the floor, raised up and fell backwards into the tub.

The work is progressing rapidly on the Kobacker building, as they must vacate the room now occupied by the 10th of the month.

Lieutenant Kreuger, of the regular army, came here last evening and gave the Company E men a very good drill at the State Armory. There was a large attendance.

The operatta to be staged by the Institute students will be given in the Grand Opera House on April 15th. The Mount Pleasant Institute sextet will be a feature. Some novel vaudeville will be given. Drills are being given the children of the choral class by Miss Emma Geisthorpe.

Mrs. Margaret Wood, of Pittsburg, is the guest of her son, Charles.

Miss Patience Leasure is visiting her brother, Henry, in Uniontown.

Wanted—A live dealer for The Harley Davidson Motorcycle in this vicinity. Call Bell phone 131-L, Scottdale, Pa.—Adv.

See Rapport-Featherman Company's furniture Ad on Page 7.

YOUNGWOOD.

YOUNGWOOD, March 31.—Mr. and Mrs. John C. Sleighter were agreeably surprised Monday evening when about 50 friends gathered at their Fifth street home. Mrs. Sleihter was persuaded to call on a neighbor and when returning found her home in possession of friends. Music was furnished by Miss Ludwick and the "string band" and short addresses were made by Rev. John Watson pastor of the United Brethern Church, where Mr. and Mrs. Sleighter have been earnest workers, and Mr. A. H. Ludwick, spokesman for the Men's Bible class and Men's Brotherhood, both of which Mr. Sleighter was a member, and W. E. Smith, superintendent of the United Brethern Sunday school. Delicious refreshments were served and a miscellaneous shower given Mrs. Sleighter. Mr. and Mrs. Sleighter moved to Connellsville where Mr. Sleighter has accepted a position in the Connellsville Iron Works, and many regrets go with the good wishes of their many Youngwood friends. Those present were: Miss Della Sleighter, of Connellsville, and Rev. and Mrs. John Watson and daughter, Ruth; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ludwick and daughter, Pearl; Mrs and Mrs. Percy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Harold and daughter, Emma; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith and children, Frances and Paul; William E. Smith, A. N. Young, Mrs. W. G. Barnhart, Mrs. S. K. Henrie, Mrs. G. W. Sturgis, Mrs. Samuel Himmelwright, Mrs. W. Hess, Mrs. Rae Ober, Mrs. Alex Barclay, Mrs. H. Lechlitner and children, H. O. and Elizabeth; Mrs. Earl Keider and daughter, Adeline; Mrs. P. B. Beard, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mrs. Bruce Hooper, Mrs. T. S. Shaw, Mrs. W. S. Pyle and children, Margaret, Rut hand Frederick; Mrs. Sadie Doran, Mrs. George Shaw and children, Jesse, Lenora and Charles; Mrs. J. N. Weaver, Mrs. John Mock and daughter, Hazel; Mrs. William Sleighter and daughter, Irma; Mrs. George Biggs and Misses Edith Himmelwright, Alice Walthour, Nellie and Rebecca Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Sleighter and daughters, Alma, Helen and Dorothy.

Rev. John Watson, United Brethern pastor, is conducting services in Mount Pleasant this week.

O. P. Smith is at Philadelphia hospital taking treatment. Mr. Smith has been ill for several months.

William A. Moore is recovering from an operation at Allegheny hospital, Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hurst are suffering with la grippe.

Mrs. O. C. Harold was shopping in Greensburg Tuesday.

Sara Neighley is suffering from indigestion.

Read The Daily Courier.

Jacob Meyers, of Uniontown, spent Sunday with Youngwood friends.

Thomas Wilkinson has sold his grocery store and the building will be occupied by the Atlantic & Pacific Company in the near future.

Mrs. John Roffner and son, George, spent Tuesday in Pittsburg.

Miss Della Sleighter, of Connellsville, is visiting her brothers, William and John, of North Fifth street.

Mrs. S. Himmelwright and Mrs. Fred Diehl were Greensburg shoppers Tuesday.

Ruth, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Long, is convalescing from a long illness.

Robert Smith, aged 76 years and a former resident of near Masontown, is recovering from a serious illness with pneumonia.

Mildred, small daughter of J. C. Lowe, is ill with measles.

Miss Florence Highberger, of Madison, spent several days in Youngwood. Miss Highberger is a former student of Prof. Wentzel, of Greensburg, and will give piano lessons to a class of Youngwood pupils in the near future.

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QUICK RELIEF FROM CONSTIPATION

Get Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

That is the joyful cry of thousands since Dr. Edwards produced Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel.

Dr. Edwards, a practicing physician for 17 years and calomel's old-time enemy, discovered the formula for Olive Tablets while treating patients for chronic constipation and torpid livers.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do not contain calomel, but a healing, soothing vegetable laxative.

No griping is the "keynote" of these little sugar-coated, olive-colored tablets. They cause the bowels and liver to act normally. They never force them to unnatural action.

If you have a "dark brown mouth" now and then—a bad breath—a dull, tired feeling—sick headache—torpid liver and are constipated, you'll find quick, sure and only pleasant results from one or two little Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets at bedtime.

Thousands take one or two every night just to keep right. Try them! 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

The Olive Tablet Company, Columbus, O.

Womens and Misses'

Cloth and Combination

SUITS

at Only

$18.75

Shown in a large variety of the most favorite boxy coats and the newest flared models, plain or belted in such materials as Shepherd Checks, Wool Poplins, Gabardines in all the wanted colors and shades. Values like these do away with the idea that you must pay exorbitant prices in order to secure distinctive stylish Suits.

"Off With The Old—On With The New"

DRESS UP WEEK

Spring is Here and Easter is Rapidly Approaching.

The store is full of interest to people who wish to combine style and quality with economy. Our stocks of Spring apparel are so varied and fashionable and yet so moderate in price, that we can easily suit every taste and every purse. Your inspection and comparison are invited.

KOBACKER'S

"THE BIG STORE"

ON PITTSBURGH ST.

Womens and Misses'

Plain and Sport

COATS

at Only

$10.00

Coats that are practical. Coats that will be ideal for Summer wear—in smart black and white checks—beautiful belted models with patch pockets in a variety of styles. Either lined or unlined. Nothing could be prettier for wear with the new Spring Skirt or Dress. They are exceptionally good values at only $10

SHOES

The Shoes You Want Are Here at the Lowest Prices

Novelty Boots

$6 and $5

Identical Styles Other Stores Sell at $7.50 and $8.50.

Women's Shoes in the newest Spring style of White Washable Kid or Pearl Gray, also Havana Brown, with covered heels to match, latest high-laced models.

Special for Saturday Only

Extra good quality Children's Shoes in sizes from 5 to 11 made of Gun Metal with cloth tops dependable leather soles; regular $1.39 values. Saturday 98c

Complete line of Children's White Shoes at ..... 98c, $1.25, $1.40 and $1.75

Hats Trimmed Free.

Hat Trimmings 25c Up

Spring's Newest Millinery

At $3.66 and $5.00

A wonderful collection of chic trimmed Hats. Not a style has been overlooked, all are here. Original and becoming styles that find favor with the women of discriminate taste. Made in fine lisere, split and other wanted materials, trimmed in flowers, ribbons and newest novelties from the most authoritative designers.

Kiddies' Hats

School and Dress Hats of beautiful braids, facings and crown pleatings, of satin and crepe—ribbon streamers and flower trimmings. Priced very moderately.

Untrimmed Hats

An Endless Variety of Untrimmed Hats at... $1.19

Genuine Milan Shapes in Sailors, Colonials, Pokes and newest side roll effect. A $2.00 value for only $1.19

Boys Suits

The Little Man's Spring Clothes Full of Style, Full of Quality and at Low Prices

Spring Wash Suits

Made in the newest 1916 Spring models of Billy Boy, Tommy Tucker and Junior Norfolks. Materials are Repps, Galateas, Percales and Linens in light and dark colors, with contrasting collar and cuffs.

At 69c, $1.25, $1.69 and $1.95.

Boys' 2-Pants Suits

$3.90

In fancy mixtures and plain colors; tailored in up to the minute Spring styles. Extra pair of Pants with each Suit.

Boys' Tapeless Waists, all colors 50c
Boys' New Spring Hats and Caps 50c
Children's Rompers, good selection 50c

Exceptionally Good Values in Charming New Spring **Silk Waists** $3.00 values **$1.98**

Decidedly new models, elaborate styles, in Peach, Nile, Maize, White and Rose. All unequaled value at the moderate price of only $1.98

Confirmation Dresses

In daintiest styles and finest materials; variety of trimmings in lace and embroidery at $1.95 to $7.90.

Our Rugs and Floor Coverings Should Interest Every Connellsville Housewife

Girls' Spring Coats

Big assortments of newest styles, in Black Checks, Shepherd Checks and Serges in different colors, at ..... $1.95 to $8.90

Orrine for Drink Habit

TRY IT AT OUR EXPENSE

We are in earnest when we ask you to give ORRINE a trial. You have nothing to risk and everything to gain, for your money will be returned, if after a trial, you fail to get results from ORRINE. This offer gives the wives and mothers of those who drink to excess an opportunity to try the ORRINE treatment. It is a very simple treatment, can be given in the home without publicity or loss of time from business, and at a small price.

ORRINE is prepared in two forms: No. 1, secret treatment, a powder; ORRINE No. 2, in pill form, for those who desire to take voluntary treatment. Costs only $1.00 a box. Come in and talk over the matter with us. Ask for booklet.

Connellsville Drug Company, West Main Street.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, March 31.—Mr. Ray Miller, son of Mon. and Mrs. E. D. Miller, of Rockwood, and Miss Emma Merrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Merrill, spent several days recently in Pittsburg where they were secretly married. They returned to Rockwood on Tuesday evening at which time the parents of the groom gave them a dinner in honor of the occasion.

A large number of Rockwood ladies spent Thursday in Meyersdale, Pa., where they attended the Show at Miller and Collins, of the latest styles on living models.

Mr. P. E. Wehmer for several years a Baltimore & Ohio relief agent, accepted the newly created position in the office of Superintendent Baton, at Connellsville.

Mr. N. B. Sanner, for several years Baltimore & Ohio freight clerk at Rockwood, has been given the position as Baltimore & Ohio station agent at Mariedton, Pa. Mr. Burns, the former agent, having taken charge of a bakery at Hyndman, Pa.

The stork visited the following homes in Rockwood yesterday—at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Shumaker, on Broadway, a bouncing baby boy was born while at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Wolfersberger, on East Broadway, a beautiful baby girl was born.

Dr. G. B. Masters, who for several years was practicing physician at Rockwood, but for the past three years located at Berlin, Pa., will in the near future remove his family and household goods to Rockwood, Pa., where he will occupy his former residence.

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Mr. C. E. Statler, for several years engaged in the brick manufacturing industry at Rockwood, has accepted the position as chief clerk for the Somerset Lumber Company, and will in the very near future move his family and household goods to the county seat.

Mr. J. P. Witt, whose residence burned down at Milford Station a few weeks ago, expects to follow his brother, R. G. Witt, to Akron, O., where he has secured a position with one of the large rubber plants of the city.

Mr. C. G. Eicher, of Rockwood, has accepted a position with a large manufacturing concern in Pittsburg, and expects in the near future to move his family to the smoky city.

Miss Joanna Shultz has accepted the position as saleslady in the E. A. Malsberry jewelry store, which became vacant by Miss Jennie Bloom resigning.

Mr. R. G. Witt and family departed yesterday for their new home at Akron, O., where Mr. Witt has a position in the Goodyear rubber works.

Mrs. Margaret Gardner departed on Thursday for Johnstown where she will be the guest of Dr. Maurice Stayer and family, and Mr. H. H. Gardner and family for several weeks.

DAWSON.

DAWSON, March 31.—Mrs. Cal Rodebaugh of West Newton has returned to her home after a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. Porter.

Mrs. Anna Brubler was a recent Connellsville visitor.

Mrs. Vent Gallatin has returned to her home in Donora after spending a few days with Mrs. James Hughes.

Joseph Glosinger of West Newton called on friends here Wednesday.

J. E. Smith will move on the Smith farm near Jimtown April 1.

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IS YOUR HEALTH WORTH $5.00?

Woman Tells How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Restored Her Health.

Lima, Ohio.—"I was all broken down in health from a displacement. One of my lady friends came to see me and she advised me to commence taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Sanative Wash. I began taking your remedies and took $5.00 worth and in two months was a well woman after three doctors said I never would stand up straight again. I was a midwife for seven years and I recommended the Vegetable Compound to every woman to take before birth and afterwards, and they all got along so nicely that it surely is a godsend to suffering women. If women wish to write to me I will be delighted to answer them."—Mrs. JENNIE MOYER, 342 E. North St., Lima, Ohio.

Women who suffer from displacements, weakness, irregularities, nervousness, backache or bearing-down pains, need the tonic-strengthening properties of the roots and herbs contained in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you want special advice, write the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass.

WEAR Horner's Clothing

75 Boys Wanted 75

On April 1, 1916, we are going to start in our new store room, 207 North Pittsburg street, next door to the Globe Theatre. On the same day we are going to start 75 boys or girls with a savings account. You ask how? On that day we are going to give each boy or girl a savings bank, each bank containing a penny to start the savings. How do you get this bank? Buy one box of Dutch Cleanser for the regular price, 10c, and we do the rest. Now every purchase you make of 50c or over we drop a penny in your bank until it is chock full. Then deposit and see what you have saved.

Now, Boys, dig in. It's up to you to learn to save.

We thank the people of Connellsville for their liberal patronage in our old stand and hope we may be better able to supply the demand of our many friends in our new store. We still maintain the old idea:—Good Goods at Reasonable Prices. Call and be convinced that we lead and others follow.

A. Hager

"SERV-US STORE."

207 N. Pittsburg St. Both Phones. Auto Delivery.

Money to Loan

Any honest person with steady work can secure a loan from $10 up through us and pay it back in easy payments.

All business strictly confidential.

Fayette Brokerage Co.

207 Title & Trust Building, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WHITE LINE TRANSFER

J. N. TRUMP,

Moving and Hoisting PIANOS A SPECIALTY. WE SELL SAND.

Office 103 E. Grape Alley, Opposite P. R. R. depot. Both Phones

Hunting Bargains? If so, read our advertising columns and you will find them.

200 HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS TAKE PART IN FAREWELL FEAST

Hold Final Get Together Meeting With Mr. and Mrs. Loren Jones.

THEN MARCH TO TABERNACLE

Interesting Talks Follow the Picnic Supper in the First Presbyterian Church: Workers Prepare to Carry on Meetings After Campaign Closes.

Over 200 high school students, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Jones and other members of the Bob Jones party, and a few invited guests, attended a high school supper and rally held last evening in the social room of the First Presbyterian Church. The hours wer from 5 to 7:30, and during that time the large hall was the scene of one of the jolliest crowds and the most successful social gatherings held for some time. Everybody had a general good time.

The affair was planned by Mr. and Mrs. Loren Jones and each student donated toward the supper, which was served from nine long tablesladened with all the picnic delicacies of the season. Loren Jones assisted in serving and proved equal to the occasion. Committees of young men and young women from hight school assisted, and considering the large crowd the service was excellent and the supper was over in good time, this allowing about an hour for speech-making and testimonials from the students.

Following the spread George S. Connell, city editor of the Courier, was introduced to the students, and made a brief speech, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Jones, and the high school students for the good work which had been accomplished during the campaign. Mrs. Frances Cox Allison, of the Bob Jones party, gave a brief but interesting talk on the Bible and Loren Jones followed with a Bible talk. A talk by Mrs. Loren Jones was then given.

Prior to the talks Miss Mildred Coleman, in behalf of the high school students, presented Mrs. Loren Jones with a handsome tan leather bag as a token of their esteem. Mrs. Jones responded with a few brief remarks thanking the students for the gift.

It was decided to continue the noonday prayer services which have been held by the high school students during the campaign. Short services will be held Tuesday of each week in the Christian church and committees have been named to appoint leaders for each meeting. Next Tuesday's meeting will be led by Metzgar Smeak. It is probable that various pastors will be asked to speak briefly, to the students at the meetings.

A large number of the high school students gave brief testimony, telling in what way the Bob Jones campaign had helped them. This period was very interesting.

The work and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Jones among the high school students during the campaign has been very successful. Virtually every student present last evening promised to be present at the weekly noonday prayer services, and the interest which they displayed was very gratifying to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, who have won the admiration of every boy and girl in the high school as well as the many other persons with whom they have come in touch during the meeting.

Fat Baby Chafed

Skin Made Smooth, Healthy by

Sykes Comfort POWDER

"On a baby badly chafed, weighing 11¼ pounds at birth," says Nurse Harris, of Watertown, N. Y., "I used Sykes Comfort Powder after everything else had failed to help it. The sore, chafed skin soon became smooth and healthy. There is nothing like Sykes Comfort Powder to heal skin soreness."

That's because of its superior medication which combines healing, soothing and antiseptic qualities not found in anything else. At all dealers, 25 cts.

THE COMFORT POWDER CO., Boston, Mass.

DEATH OF VALENTINE HAY RECALLS SOMERSET FIRE

Aged Resident Tells About Feats of Strength Performed by Young Attorney in 1872.

Special to The Courier.

SOMERSET, March 31.—"The death of Dr. Valentine Hay, Somerset's oldest lawyer, recalls to me an incident of the fire of 1872," said Ananias Berkey, a well known resident of this place, the other day. Mr. Berkey is in his 83rd year, but although a dozen years and more past the allotted three score and ten, he is hale and hearty. He had known Dr. Hay since childhood.

"I was driving team for William H. Picking in 1872," Mr. Berkey continued. "On the afternoon of the fire Jacob Dietz, Casper Durst and myself were sowing oats in a field where the residence of County Superintendent of Schools Daniel W. Seibert now stands, in the East End of town. In those days we had no grain drills, and we were sowing the oats by hand. Shorty before the fire started our supply of seed became exhausted. I was on my way to town with the wagon to get several more bushels of oats when I saw a cloud of smoke rising in the neighborhood of the old Frederick Weimer blacksmith shop. You are familiar with the result of that conflagration which destroyed the greater part of the town. I did not return to the oats field that day, of course, having eint a hand in fighting the flames after putting the team in the stable, that stood on the site of the present Picking residence on East Patriot street. Later in the afternoon the Picking property lay in the path of the fire. Both house and barn were burned to the ground. I got the horses out of the barn, but in the excitement left the wagon in the alley.

"On the following day I went down to look for the wagon. It was not there. I examined the ashes and debris, but could find no trace of it. I thought it strange that even the iron of the vehicle would burn up. John Huston happened along while I was hunting the wagon. He said he saw 'Felty' Hay taking the wagon down the alley to South street on a dead run during the fire. The young attorney of '72 was a giant in strength. With his right hand he grasped a single tree of the four-horse wagon and guiding the pole with his left hand pulled it to a place of safety. Lawyer Hay did valiant work during the fire. I found the Picking wagon on South street. It was among the many things saved by Dr. Hay."

SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, March 31.—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miner, March 24, a baby boy. This is the fifth child in the family.

Frank Ghent moved Thursday from the Sutton house on Main street to the Brown house on Railroad street.

Mrs. A. P. Hill was a Uniontown shopper Wednesday.

Miss Dona Sutton spent Wednesday with friends in Uniontown.

Elxie Warman of Springhill township was a business visitor Thursday.

George W. Burner, of Old Frame, was a borough business visitor on Thursday.

Andrew McCann of Nicholas was a borough business visitor Thursday.

James Mentieth died very suddenly at his home on Geneva street at 4 o'clock Thursday morning. He had worked the day before at the Baxter Ridge mine. The deceased was 53 years of age, and was born in Smithfield, a son of Harvey and Amanda Moser Mentieth, both deceased. He is survived by his wife and two children, Grant of Mingo Junction, Ohio, and Mrs. Charles Miner of this place. Three brothers, Benjamin and Daniel of Smithfield, and William of Dunbar township, and two sisters, Catherine of Uniontown, and Mrs. Artemus Show of Smithfield, also survive. The funeral arrangements have not been made as yet, but will be some time Saturday. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. M. Bracken, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which deceased was a member. He was a member of Gallatin Lodge No. 517, I. O. O. F. Interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

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CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, March 31.—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wilson of Johnson Chapel were shopping in town yesterday.

The Lutheran Sunday school is preparing for a nice Easter service in the church Easter evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Debolt of Charleston are contemplating an extensive trip through the west in the near future.

The body of Mrs. John Little, who died at her home in Ohiopyle Monday was buried in the cemetery at Johnson Chapel yesterday.

O. L. Plot of Meyersdale was in town on business yesterday.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Lutheran Church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Margaret Burgess last evening.

Mrs. O. P. McKee and aunt, Mrs. Lucy Ringer left yesterday for Baltimore where they will visit the former's daughter, Josephine, who is a student at the Peabody Institute.

Mrs. John Weaver was shopping and visiting friends in Connellsville yesterday.

W. A. Burnworth and daughter, Lucille, who have been ill several weeks with rheumatism, are reported somewhat improved.

G. C. Butler of Johnson Chapel, accompanied by his grandson, Fred Butler, were visitors in town yesterday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Davis of Odgen street, recently a baby boy.

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OHIOPYLE.

OHIOPYLE, March 31.—Mrs. Elizabeth McCartney is spending a few weeks the guest of friends in McKeesport.

George Hohlman returned yesterday from a business trip in Uniontown.

Mrs. Shipley of Sipes was shopping and calling on friends in Ohiopyle yesterday.

James Linderman returned yesterday from Uniontown.

W. B. Jackson of Connellsville was in Ohiopyle on business yesterday.

Mrs. Harry Marietta spent Thursday in Connellsville the guest of friends.

George Morris spent Thursday in Connellsville on business.

Miss Ruth Sailor and Miss May Rafferty spent Thursday shopping in Connellsville.

Miss Irene Jackson returned to her home here yesterday after spending several months at Uniontown.

Frank Lytle of Sugar Loaf was calling on Connellsville friends yesterday.

Mrs. Fred Daberko of Indian Creek was visiting friends here yesterday.

Jacob Oher of Stewarton was a caler in Connellsville last evening.

Mrs. Clara Dull of Indian Creek was shopping and calling on friends here yesterday.

Ada Bryner left for Connellsville yesterday to spend a few weeks.

Some of the farmers near here started to do their ploughing yesterday.

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Sawdust Sidelights

At the dinner of the Young Business Men's Bible Class in the First Baptist Church, C. W. Simpson was elected president; Robert Ward, vice president; George Reagan, secretary, and Harlod Boyd, treasurer. Rev. W. J. Everhart wil lbe the teacher.

Firemen on duty last night were Joel Strawn, Carl Snair, S. A. Rowe and Peter O'Brien.

John Davis and William Thomas sang "He Included Me" at the request of Loren Jones, as a special feature of the song service.

Bob Jones' theme on Sunday will be "Heaven."

Pittsburg street was dotted with long lines of cottage prayer meeting districts marching "two by four" for about a half hour before the meeting opened.

The Ohiopyle delegation, consisting mostly of men, sang, "I Will Shout His Praise in Glory," all by themselves and did well with it.

The Bullskin township school children attended service at the tabernacle this afternoon.

C. A. Cusad, the newspaper man who travels with the Bob Jones party, will cover the meetings for the Herald in Cloversville.

THE NEWEST REMEDY FOR Backache, Rheumatism and Dropsy.

Kidney, Bladder and Uric Acid troubles bring misery to many. When the kidneys are weak or diseased, these natural filters do not cleanse the blood sufficiently, and the poisons are carried to all parts of the body. There follow depression, aches and pains, heaviness, drowsiness, irritability, headaches, chilliness and rheumatism. In some people there are sharp pains in the back and loins, distressing bladder disorders and sometimes obstinate dropsy. The uric acid sometimes forms into gravel or kidney stones. When the uric acid affects the muscles and joints, it causes lumbago, rheumatism, gout or sciatica. This is the time to try "Anuric."

During digestion uric acid is absorbed into the system from meat eaten, and even from some vegetables. The poor kidneys get tired and backache begins. This is a good time to take "Anuric," the new discovery of Dr. Pierce for kidney trouble and Backache. Neglected kidney trouble is responsible for many deaths, and Insurance Company examining doctors always test the water of an applicant before a policy will be issued. Have you ever set aside a bottle of water for twenty-four hours? A heavy sediment or settling sometimes indicates kidney trouble. The true nature and character of diseases, especially those of the kidneys and urinary organs, can often be determined by a careful chemical analysis and microscopical examination—this is done by expert chemists of the Medical Staff of the Invalids' Hotel. If you wish to know your condition send a sample of your water to Doctor Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and describe your symptoms. It will be examined without any expense to you, and Doctor Pierce or his Staff of Assisting Physicians will inform you truthfully.

KNOW THYSELF!

Read all about yourself, your system, physiology, anatomy, hygiene, simple home cures, etc., in the "Common Sense Medical Adviser," a book of 1008 pages. Send to Dr. V. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., three dimes or thirty cents in one-cent stamps for a cloth-bound copy.

DR. BARNES' MEDICAL INSTITUTE

For the treatment of Chronic, Nervous, Blood, General, Complicated and Special Diseases of Both Sexes. Men's Diseases a Specialty. Open 9 A. M. to 8 P. M., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. 108 Main St., Connellsville.

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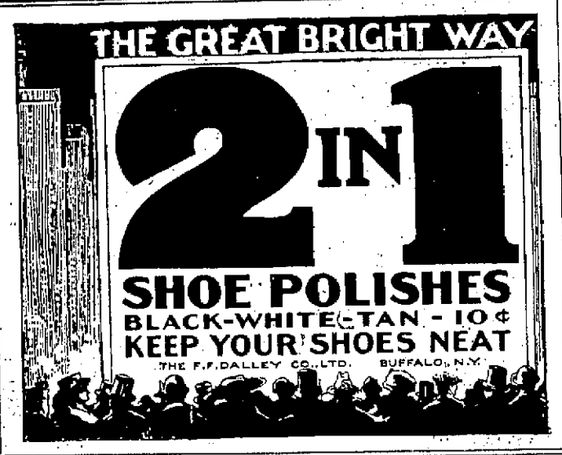
WHY A FRIEND?

Your friend may be a very busy person and not have the adequate time to devote to the settlement of the affairs of your estate.

Appoint the Title & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania as you Executor—our experience, facilities, reliability and permanency are strong points to be considered.

Call or write us for any particulars you may desire.



SATURDAY SPECIALS!

MAKE THE "BAZAAR STORE" YOUR HEADQUARTERS on Saturday. Exceptional values will be offered in every department on new Spring merchandise. Below we offer a few of the many specials.

SPRING SUITS FOR WOMEN AND MISSES

Women's and Misses' New Spring Suits of fine serges, poplins and shepherd checks, in semi-blouse and belted effects. $15.00 Values, **$8.95**

Women's and Misses' Dress Suits of fine gabardines, taffetas, silks and poplins, in all the new models. $25.00 Values, **$12.95**

MEN! THE NEW SPRING SUITS ARE RIGHT HERE.

Men's and Young Men's New Spring Suits made with patch pockets, all the new Spring colors, regular $15.00 Values, **$7.95**

Extraordinary fine Suits in serges, greys, browns; every garment guaranteed first class tailoring. Special for Saturday $20.00 Values, **$12.75**

Children's Dresses — New spring dresses in all fine fast colors gingham; regular $100 values, special 59c

CORSETS — Special $1 Corsets, in all the new styles, guaranteed for six months' wear; special 59c

NEW UNDERSKIRTS — Made with wide embroidery flouncings and ribbon trimmed; special $1 values.....59c

SKIRTS — Just arrived new skirts, full flare with pockets at the sides; special $3 values..$1.95

CORSET COVERS — Beautifully trimmed corset covers with laces, embroideries and ribbon; regular 50c values, special 35c

New Spring Waists — This is a wonderful bargain in new spring waists, all fresh and clean, in pretty patterns; special $1 values, only 59c

BOYS' SUITS — New spring suits for boys, in Norfolk styles; full peg pants; regular $3.50; special for Saturday $1.95

GOWNS — Special muslin and crepe gowns, trimmed with embroidery and ribbon; special 75c value, only 47c

NEW SPRING SHOES.

Ladies' new 8-inch cut Shoes, in all the new creations, such as Havana Browns, Greys, Patent Colt. Special $4.00 Values, **$2.95**

Men's $3.50 Dress Shoes in Button or Lace. Special Saturday $3.50 Values, **$1.95**

Don't forget the Buster Brown Shoes.

NEW SILK DRESSES—WONDERFUL VALUES.

$7.50 New Spring Silk Dresses, the most remarkable offer ever made, in all the new colors. Special $7.50 Values, **$2.98**

$10.00 New Silk Poplin Dresses, with pretty lace sleeves, full flare bottoms, in all the new Spring colors. Special $10.00 Values, **$4.98**

Bazaar Dept. Store

212-216 N. Pittsburg St., Connellsville, Penna.

Perhaps You Haven't A Job You Like

Never mind—Do your best—fit yourself for something better—
AND SAVE—
Then, some day, the position you want will be yours—
But don't forget to save something NOW—
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Every Woman

That sees our Smart Shoes for Spring in Grey, Ivory, White, Feild Mouse, Brown and Havana Brown, white top lace, will want a pair to go with her new Spring outfit.

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The Rapport-Featheman Co.

Stupendous Furniture Sale

Starts on Saturday, April 1, at the Featherman Furniture Company's Store Corner of Apple and N. Pittsburg Street

A Sale Without a Parallel

The combination of two great stores—The Featherman Furniture Co., and The Rapport Furniture Co.,—means the forced sale of thousands of dollars worth of good dependable FURNITURE, CARPETS, RUGS, STOVES, RANGES, Etc.

Your own good sense will tell you that we can't get two stocks into one store, anymore than you could pour a second glass of water into a glass already filled to the brim. NEITHER WOULD WE HAVE ANY USE FOR DOUBLE STOCKS OF THE SAME LINES—YOU KNOW THAT.

Sensational in the Extreme

Will be the mighty bargains obtained by those who wisely hurry to this great sale.

Remember it's absolutely compulsory that we dispose of a tremendous stock of goods within a few days so that our consolidation plans may be carried out. It is our intention to sell out the entire present stock of both stores and to continue business with stocks bought by the new firm. We have no choice in the matter, and, even though it is necessary for us to sacrifice goods at and below the original cost price, we are determined to accomplish our purpose.

Easy Terms so that all May Participate

The fact that it may not be convenient for you to pay cash, should not keep you away from this grand money-saving event. You may share its blessings just the same and pay on terms arranged to suit your convenience, having the goods delivered at once if you wish—or, should it so happen that you are not ready to have goods delivered, we will store them for you free of charge and deliver when you say. THUS EVERYBODY CAN PROFIT BY THIS GREAT CONSOLIDATION SALE, AN EVENT THAT WILL LIVE FOREVER IN THE GLAD MEMORIES OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS COMMUNITY.

Here's Just a Glimpse of the Many Meritorous Values and Wondrous Savings

Massive Iron Bed

To mark the opening of this sale we shall give you an All-Steel Spring and a Cotton-Top Mattress with this Massive Bed for only only **$9.75**

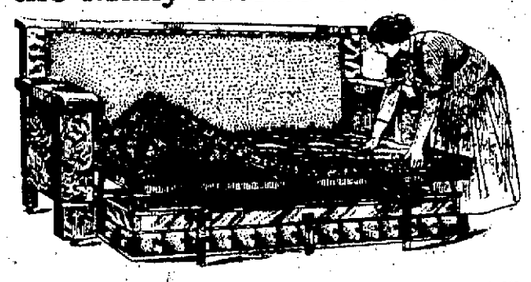
The bed has massive 2-inch continuous posts and you may have your choice of White Enamel or "Vernis Martin," that rich satin brass finish which will not tarnish.

One lot of Iron Beds, worth up to $5.00; Reduced to..... **$2.45**

One lot of Iron Beds, worth up to $6.50; Reduced to..... **$3.85**

One lot of Iron Beds, worth up to $10.00; Reduced to..... **$6.75**

One lot of Iron Beds, worth up to $15.00; Reduced to..... **$8.75**



Get that Bed Davenport now—a real Bed Davenport like this, with extra set of real Bed Springs—Two articles in one.

$45.00 Values in this sale to be sold at **$29.75**

$35.00 Bed Davenports, for **$24.75**

$45.00 Bed Davenports, for **29.75**

$50.00 Bed Davenports, for **$32.50**

$60.00 Bed Davenports, for **$45.00**

You'll be delighted with this chance to buy a handsome Brass Bed for as little as

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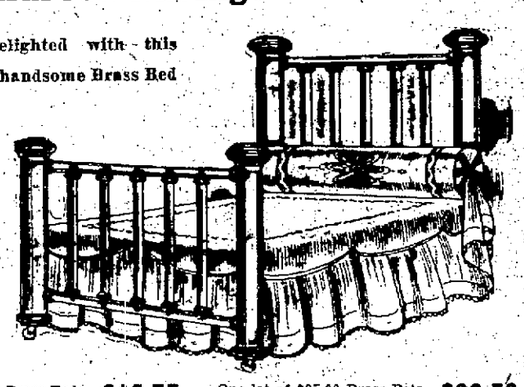

One that you'll readily admit would be dirt cheap at almost double the price.

One lot of $20.00 Brass Beds, Marked down to **$12.75**

One lot of $25.00 Brass Beds, Marked down to **$16.75**

One lot of $35.00 Brass Beds, Marked down to **$23.50**

One lot of $50.00 Brass Beds, Marked down to **$32.50**

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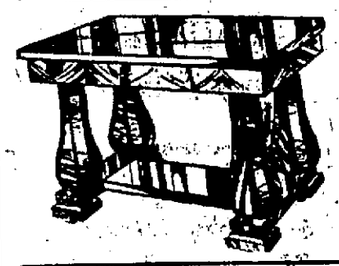
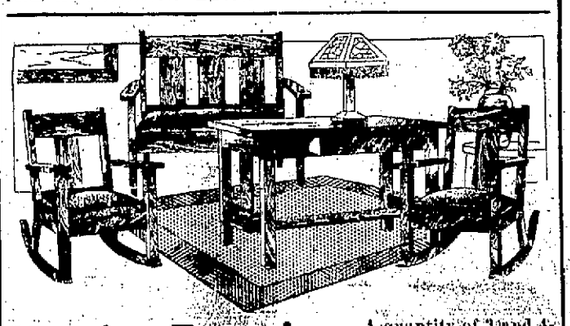


A handsome Library Table, worth regularly $15.00, now only **$9.75**

Solid Oak Library Tables, going at this sale for as little as..... **$3.65**

A large number of very high quality genuine quarter-sawed oak and mahogany Library Tables, worth up to $35.00; Consolidation Sale Price **$18.75**

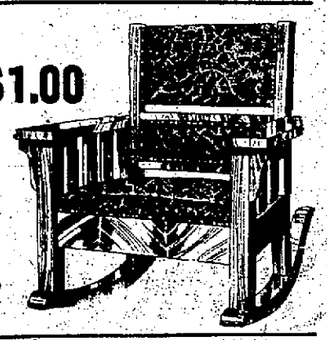


Here's a Bargain

A quantity of 3 and 4-Piece Suites.

Similar to picture, suitable for Living Room, Library or Parlor, going for as little as **$12.75**

Odd Rockers



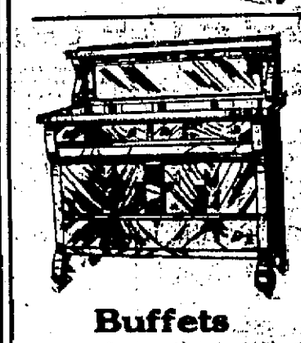
Odd Rockers in this sale for a mere song—some as low as..... **$1.00**

One lot of Rockers, worth up to $5.00; going now at **$2.95**

One lot of Imitation Leather Rockers, worth up to $10.00; now **$6.95**

One lot of specially fine Rockers that sold up to $15.00; now **$9.75**

A large assortment of very high grade Rockers of all descriptions, at from ONE-FOURTH to ONE-HALF OFF.

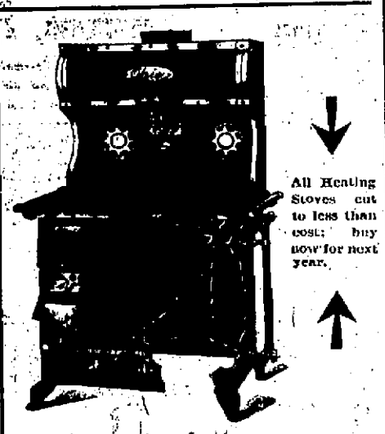


Buffets

Solid Oak Buffets, for as little as..... **$10.75**

$35.00 Value, similar to picture, only..... **$19.75**

EXTRA SPECIAL! We have a number of Odd China Cabinets in this sale. You can buy them at less than the price you'd put upon them yourself.



All Heating Stoves cut to less than cost; buy now for next year.

You'll save at least one-fourth by buying your new Range at this sale. A beauty for as little as **$29.50**

Rugs at Peace-Time Prices.

Everywhere and every day the price of Rugs is Going Up. At this sale your savings will be tremendous.

Reversible Room-Size Rugs at this Great Sale for only **$4.75**

9x12 ft. Tapestry Brussels Rugs at Great Sale, only..... **$9.75**

Axminster Rugs—the kind that people praise the wearing qualities of so highly, 9x12 ft. size. Present value $30.00. Here only **$19.25**

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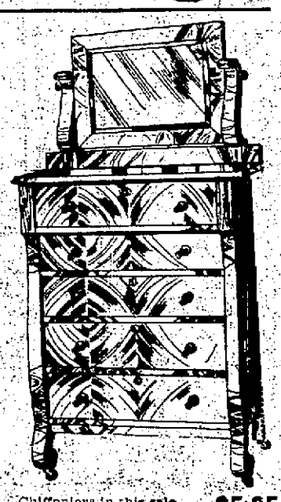
Extra Special—A lot of Ingrain Carpets to be closed out quickly at, per yard..... **49c**

Kitchen Cabinets at this Consolidation Sale for as little as **$4.75**

One large line of high grade Cabinets, which possess every new improved labor-saving feature, to be disposed of way under price.

The regular $35.00 Cabinet, will go at..... **$22.75**

A few odd Kitchen Cabinets at..... **1/3 OFF**



Chiffoniers in this sale for as little as..... **$5.95**

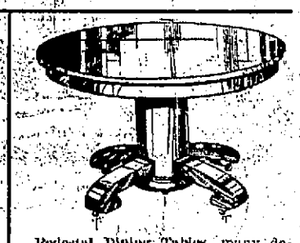
A number of large, handsome Colonial designs like picture, in all woods, reduced to..... **$14.75**

These are worth up to $30.00.

Baby Carriages

Good Collapsible Go-Carts as low as **$3.95**

Swell Reed and Fibre Reed Carriages, beautifully upholstered, for as little as **$12.75**



Pedestal Dining Tables, many designs, your choice for only..... $9.75

Extra Special for Opening Day Only

A large lot of Tabourette or Jardinere Stands to be closed out at less than half wholesale price—for only **39c**

Dressers in this sale as low as $5.95

A large lot of very fine Dressers, going at about half price. Be sure and see them!

MACCABEES WIN FROM THE FAST LYCEUM QUINTET

Administer First Defeat to Uniontown Team of This Season.

SHIFT MADE IN THE LINEUP

Rhodes Goes to Center and Miller to Guard; Henry Stars; Overholt Reds are Defeated by Connellsville Girls Team in the Preliminary Contest.

The Maccabee team won another game last evening when the Uniontown Lyceum team was defeated, 32 to 22. The locals had the lead during the entire game, getting a good start on fouls which Henry dropped in. The Uniontown team held an undefeated record up to last evening when the Maccabees broke its winning streak.

There was a change in the lineup of the locals and better results were gotten with them. Miller, who has been jumping center all season has been shifted to guard and Rhodes is now at the former position. Rhodes has had several years experience at center and strengthens up both the offense and defense of the Maccabees.

Henry, as usual, took the laurels for the best all round game. Although Henry does not get into many tussles it is because of his cleverness in keeping clear. He caged six baskets last evening. The prettiest shot of the evening was that of Buttermore, who was standing at one end of the short floor and tossed the ball in the basket at the opposite end.

The Maccabees have now played 11 games of which 8 have been won. The teams the Maccabees have been playing were not easy marks, all having a record behind them. Next Thursday evening the locals will meet the Grensburg Athletics. On this team plays the one-armed wonder who is causing so much comment in Westmoreland county. The man has but one arm but he is considered the individual star of his team. Efforts are being made to arrange a preliminary game between the girls' teams of the Connellsville and Dunbar township high schools. If Dunbar township cannot be secured another team will be gotten to play the girls.

The lineup:

MACCABEES.		UNIONTOWN.
Henry	F.	Sansone
Goodman	F.	Ontho
Rhodes	C.	Bain
Miller	G.	Kelly
Buttermore	G.	McManus

Field goals: Henry 6, Bain 4, Sansone, Rhodes 2, Goodman, Miller, Buttermore, Kelly.

Foul goals: Henry, 10 out of 15, Bain, 8 out of 12.

Scorer, Kennel. Timer, Kell. Referee, Wall.

The girl's preliminary game played between the Connellsville and Overholt Reds teams was taken by Connellsville, 15 to 6. The playing of the locals showed results of practise but the Overholt girls were off color. The poor work of the team was attributed to the absence of Mary Loftis, center, who was not in the game on account of the death of her father. At the center position Miss Loftis is a veritible stone wall behind which Overholt can shoot form but the team completely fell down last evening. Not a field goal was caged by either of the forwards but six points were run up on fouls. A. McKay was responsible for that score, dropping in five out of ten tries.

Jennie M. Tinkey, the Connellsville forward was again to the front last evening. J. Tinkey is good on floor work and is an excellent shot. Helen Hirleman caged a pretty shot in the first half of the game when standing off to one side of the floor. She dropped the ball directly through the basket.

The lineup:

CONNELLSVILLE.		OVERHOLT.
H. Hirleman	F.	R. Rosenah
J. Tinkey	F.	A. McKay
A. Whiteman	C.	H. Bisher
L. Struble	G.	M. Turnour
H. Herbert	G.	J. McDonald
F. Collins	S. C.	K. Patrick

Field goals: Tinkey 3, Hirleman 2.

Foul goals: Tinkey, 3 out of 5. Hirleman, 3 out of 3. McKay, 5 out of 10.

Substitutions, T. Bisher for Russman, E. Papke for McDonald.

Timer, Parker. Scorer, McNaughten. Referee, Wall.

Notice.

The man who took the box away from the E. Dunn store at 1.30 yesterday will kindly return it as he is known.—Adv.

RAY AND WIMLER MATCHED

Boxers to Cash in Connellsville on Night of April 11.

According to the Johnstown papers, Johnny Ray of Pittsburg, who recently made Champion Johnny Kilbane go the limit to earn a decision, and Eddie Wimler of Connellsville, are to meet in Connellsville on April 11. No announcement of a boxing show on that date has as yet been made by the local promoters.

Eddie Wimler and Barney McGuire who met here several months ago clashed again in the semi-final of a big show at the Cambria Theatre in Johnstown last night.

Wimler and Ray are old enemies for when Ray was just breaking into the boxing game he was pitted against Wimler and given the beating of his young life. Since that time he has had it in for the Connellsville fighter.

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Wintons and Packards	$300 up
Mazwells & Mitchells	$300 up
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—Come in when you feel good and ready.

—NEW SPRING SUITS, $12.00 TO $35.00.

—NEW SPRING TOPCOATS, $10.00 TO $30.00.

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—Our $15.00 SUITS are the best we know of for the money.

—Among such a fine variety of correct styles, you will certainly find YOUR Suit.

—Hard to fit Men are among our best customers.

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Newest Styles at $1 to $4

—To this store have come the choicest of the new shapes and colors.

—Some models with large crowns and broad brims; others with high crowns and narrow brims.

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—25c Van Camp Metal Polish, 15c
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—3 Pkgs. G. Egg Macaroni.....25c
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—9 Cakes Ryan Naphtha Soap.....25c
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—3 Cans Sun Kist Cherries.....50c
—3 Cans Sun Kist Apricots.....50c
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—25c Can Nabob Pineapple.....15c
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FURNACE IN LIGHT EMAND

And $3.75 Spot Has Becom emory; Pig Iron Market Has Further Augmentation of. Strength With Rumors Big Steel Workers Buyers.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURGH, March 29.—Contracting for foundry coke for the period beginning July 1 has started with a rush, and it is estimated in fairly conservative quarters that one-half the total usually placed under contract is now sold, some estimates running as high as two-thirds.

This is perhaps the earliest opening on record for the foundry coke market. In general it is observed that the contracting is as far advanced now as it usually is by June 15, which will mean from one viewpoint that the market is opened six times as early as usual, since shipments on the contracts are not to begin until Jul.

While there was considerable uncertainty until recently as to what prices would be developed for contract foundry coke the market has developed squarely on the basis of $3.50, which is regarded as the regular contract price, open to no question. This is for all standard grades of coke and is made by all sellers actively in the market. If cokes not up to standard are to be sold at a discount as they usually are, their movement is likely to occur later. There are some operators who feel that they might obtain more than $3.50 and these are either taking a backlog at that figure and reserving tonnage for higher prices later, or are staying out of the market entirely.

It is an interesting point that while a year ago the coke operators were strong in their talk about contracting only for six months rather than for the year, although many did contract for the year after all, their position is rather altered now, and they freely give buyers the option of contracting for six months or for a year from July 1 next. The price is above the average rather than below, hence the longer termed contract has charms of its own. At the same time there is no effort being made to urge buyers to contract for the longer period. The chances are regarded as substantially even, on account of the unprecedented strength of the whole iron and steel situation.

Furnace coke has been in light demand the past week, and there is little talk now heard of $3.75 spot coke, it being recognized that the very limited demand now being experienced can be satisfied for somewhat less money, though the day of $3.00 coke seems farther away than ever. Many operators profess to be unwilling to accept less than $3.00 on contracts for the second half of the year, while they even talk of higher than $3.00 for delivery from now to July 1. As a matter of fact there are no active negotiations to speak of on contract furnace coke and the only way to quote the market seems to be on the basis of sales already reported, at $2.50 and $3.00. The market as a whole is thus quotable as follows:

Spot furnace	$2.25@$2.50
Contract furnace	$2.50@$3.00
Spot foundry	$3.75@$4.00
Contract foundry	$3.50

The pig iron market has had an augmentation of strength, prices being more stiffly quoted and in some instances being definitely higher. The total turnover, however, has been light. There is no further light on the question of whether the large steel works will be forced into the market shortly to eke out their own supplies of pig iron, but it has become still clearer that if they do there will be some sharp advances. Even basic, which has been the drag on the market of late, shows a much stronger foundation, as the stocks in the hands of middle interests have been depleted, used merely to keep things going, and no material increase in production is in sight. Rebecca furnace at Kittanning, under lease since last October to the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company for making ferromanganese, is to be blown out May 1 and after relining it will be operated by the owners on basic iron, the furnace being blown in early in July. A deal has been made whereby the furnace owners secure 100,000 tons of ore and furnish 5,000 tons of pig iron a month for ten months, the balance of the output to be sold in the market. Sales of Bessemer iron have been made at both $21.00 and $21.50, Valley, the higher figure having been paid for 1,000 tons of sand cast iron, which is not very plentiful. The market is quotable as follows:

Bessemer	$21.00@$21.50
Basic	$18.50@$19.00
No. 2 foundry	$18.50@$19.00
Malleable	$18.50@$19.00
Gray forge	$18.00@$18.50

These prices are f. o. b. Valley furnaces, prices delivered Pittsburg being higher by the 95-cent freight.

P. R. R. Wants Cars.

The Pennsylvania railroad is in the equipment market with an inquiry for between 15,000 and 20,000 freight cars. The cars are to be delivered by the builders in the spring of 1917.

Coal to many Countries.

Coal is now being exported from the Pittsburg district to Sweden, Italy, Argentina and Brazil.

COKE REVIEW.

The coke trade is large and seems to be growing. Under the stimulating influences of a good car supply and steady labor shipments rose last week to 450,000 tons and production to 450,000. The former total has been reached but twice thus far this year, while the latter forms the record for 1916 to date. The increased shipments went to Pittsburg and Western furnaces. To Eastern points shipments showed a marked falling off, although still of a good tonnage. The eastern embargoes still interfere with export shipments, of which there is some business doing. There is evidently a demand for 450,000 tons of Connellsville coke weekly, but transportation and labor conditions do not always make it possible to get it out. The region is operating 88.5% of its ovens to 95% capacity. Some coal is being shipped out of the region.

Contracting for foundry coke for deliveries beginning July 1 has started with a rush, perhaps the earliest opening on record. The market has developed squarely on the basis of $3.50, which is regarded as the regular contract price for all standard grades. Operators are freely giving buyers option to contract for 6 months or a year. Furnace coke has been in light demand and no active contract negotiations are reported. Price talk centers around $3 on second half contracts, and even higher for delivery from now until July 1.

SOUTHERN COKE AND IRON TRADE SHOWS MUCH ACTIVITY

Virginia Fuel Prices Steady and Satisfactory to Makers; Alabama Pig Held Firmly.

The Southern coke and iron trade reviewed by the Cleveland Daily Trade as follows:

The coke market at Pittsburg has been rather dull as to new business in foundry grades, but the foundry coke market showed considerable more strength. This condition of the trade also holds at Cincinnati. At Birmingham, although considerable coke has been diverted of late from its original destinations, yet makers have had no difficulty in disposing of their coke in other directions. This has resulted in added firmness to the Alabama fuel market. In fact, what few cokes are still idle in Alabama are of a sort usually carried on hand as reliable. The Virginia fuel market is busy and prices at all centers are stable and satisfactory to makers. The principal concern of consumers of coke just now seems to be secure delivery.

The pig iron buying movement which was under way a fortnight ago so rapidly has spent its force for the time being at several selling centers. Others appear to be waiting to see the further tendencies of the coke market before closing on some good-sized tonnages which, it is understood, are likely to come out most any time. The impending tonnages are largely for foundry-making grades in the central and the Chicago market is firm especially for malleable, following sales. The Virginia market gained about 50 cents a ton for half year delivery, and so also has Buffalo market as reflected by quotations offered by at least one seller. Southern iron is being held around $15.50 to $16. Birmingham, by makers and generally is firmly held, it is needless to say that in the pig state of the market, production of pig iron in all sections is now some of the larger steel concerns making every pound of iron from any one of their available stacks whether some of them will be forced into the market shortly is a moot question among themselves."

FREIGHT CONGESTION

Calls for Some New and Stringent Regulations and Charges.

The Eastern Freight Accumulation Conference, which body is composed of the executive committee of the eastern railroads and Commissioner E. E. Clark of the Interstate Commerce Commission, have formulated regulations with a view to relieving the freight congestion at the seaboard. These have been submitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission with a request they be embodied in formal orders.

The proposed regulations require that export bills of lading shall only be issued when founded on written ocean docks. Much of the congestion at the seaboard has been due to shippers from the seaboard sending on product haphazard and taking a chance bottoms being available.

The time on tidewater coal is reduced from 12 to 5 days at New York, no change is made in free time after Philadelphia or Baltimore, but storage charges for export grain elevators are to be maintained for first 60 days, then doubled for successive period of 60 days. Export freight consigned for lighterage in New York harbor must be consigned to a specific destination, or subject to a charge of $2 per car for reconsignment.

Option Extended.

The option of N. L. C. Kachelmacher of Coal, O., on the properties of the Wm Steel Company, which was extended until April 1, has been transferred to the Eastern Finance Corporation of New York, a newly formed company.

CONNELLSVILLE MILITARY BAND WILL GIVE CONCERT IN TABERNACLE MONDAY

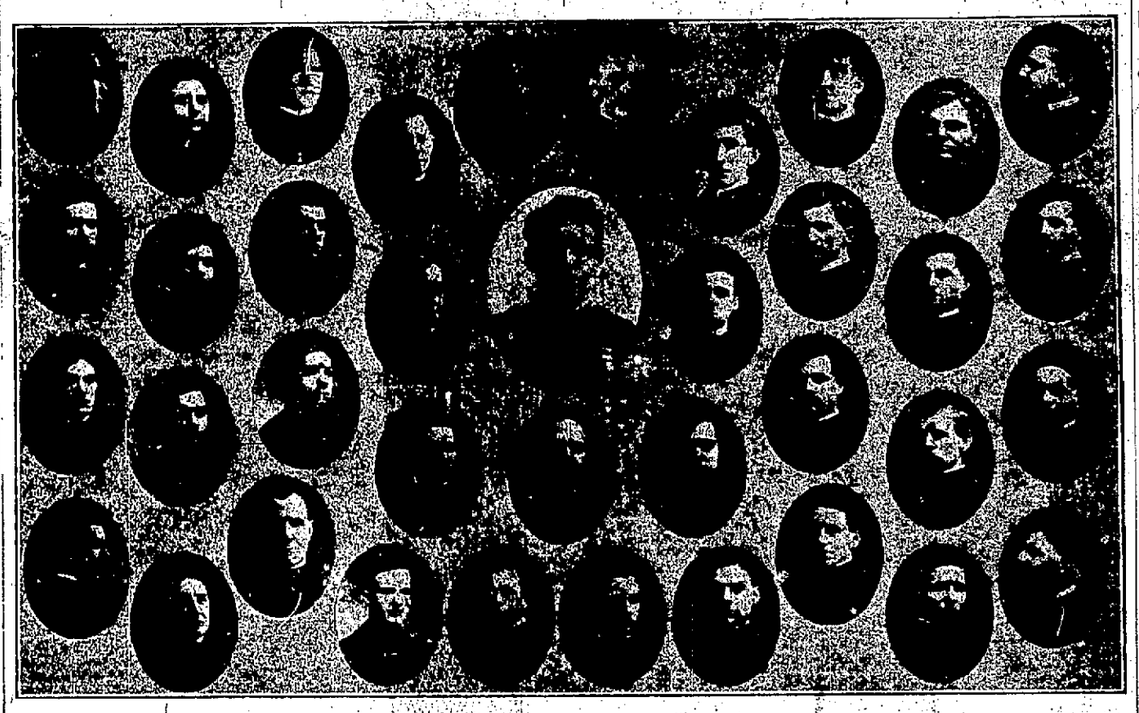
The annual concert of the Connellsville Military Band will be given in the tabernacle Monday evening. It promises to be one of the best concerts of the many good ones the band has given, and indications now point to a crowd that will break former records.

Leader John E. Gaster and his musicians have been working industriously to make the affair a success. The band boys have labored industriously to present a program which will meet popular fancy. In addition to the ensemble numbers there will be solos, both vocal and instrumental, which music lovers declare will alone be worth the price of admission.

The vocal soloists will include Miss Marion Munson, Miss Anna George and Will A. Rhodes. Miss George, who comes from Everson, sang here several times during the past summer, and was one of the most popular of the band's soloists. Miss Munson, while less generally known as a soloist, will, it is declared, win unstinted praise. Mr. Rhodes is well known here. He was the tenor soloist at last year's concert, and the fact that he is to return is sufficient indication of his popularity.

The band expects liberal patronage. Its free concerts at the bandstand last summer furnished entertainment for hundreds of people. Most of these will show their appreciation by attending Monday's program.

During the tabernacle campaign the band has won generous praise from both Mr. and Mrs. Loren Jones, who have charge of the tabernacle music. Both have been active in urging support for the concert.



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Third row—Harry Sliger, H. E. Martz, Frank Ross, Vincent Donato, Porter Keffer, John Kiferle, O. R. Herwick, Josiah Marietta, Stewart Stilwell.

Fourth row—H. B. Barkell, R. O. Clabaugh, R. L. Hannam, H. E. Decker, J. H. Hamilton, James Decker, W. C. Bishop, Jesse Brown, Charles Cunningham and Robert Mulac.

The following other musicians whose pictures do not appear will take part: Frank Hardy, F. E. Berry, F. E. Christner, Claude Vincent, Edgar Horner and Mandro Brunetti.

GREENSBURG AND LATROBE REGIONS HAVING GOOD RUN

Demand for Coke is Brisk and Prices are Being Well Maintained.

EMBARGOES STILL A HANDICAP

Operators, Expecting Early Start of Lake Season Will Strengthen Coal Trade, Which is the Only Weak Spot; Improved Car Supply Noticed.

With good demand and fair prices, the coke operators of the Upper Connellsville and Greensburg Connellsville regions have little cause for complaint. Car supply in both regions have little cause for complaint. Car supply has improved somewhat and aside from rather unsatisfactory labor conditions, business is generally regarded as exceptionally good.

As a great many operators of these regions ship coal as well as coke, they are rather discouraged over the slump that has taken place in the coal market as a result of the freight situation. News that came to hand yesterday, to the effect that the Lake shipping season would open April 1, was hailed with delight. They are confident that the beginning of the Lake movement will create a demand for coal that will result in materially higher prices.

Furnace coke for prompt shipment is bringing around $2.50 a ton in the Upper Connellsville and Greensburg-Connellsville regions. Foundry coke is selling at from $3.10 to $3.15. There is good demand for crushed coke, especially for the large sizes of stove and egg, which bring $3.85 and $3.90. Nut and small stove grades are bringing $3.25 a ton.

There was an increase of some 12,000 tons in shipments from the two regions last week, some 3,000 tons east and 9,000 tons west. This is partly accounted for by a better car supply, but the principal reason for the spurt is that congestion which had occured at the yards was relieved, permitting the accumulation of a week or more to go over the scales. Western furnaces were liberal buyers of coke in these regions, thereby swelling the movement west.

Shipments in tons from the two regions for the week ending Saturday, March 25, were as follows:

District.	East.	West.	Total.
Upper Conn	12,155	21,033	33,220
Greensburg	11,703	9,777	21,480
Total	23,858	30,812	55,700

The following tabulation shows the output of these districts by weeks in tons of 2,000 pounds for 1916 to date:

Week Ending.	Upper Conn'ville.	Greensbg. Coke.	Total.
Jan. 8	16,872	10,840	27,712
Jan. 15	25,101	18,912	44,013
Jan. 22	19,460	16,988	36,448
Jan. 29	23,139	19,139	42,278
Feb. 5	23,711	19,568	43,279
Feb. 12	26,127	22,079	48,206
Feb. 19	24,341	19,002	43,343
Feb. 26	20,473	16,921	36,352
Mar. 4	26,502	18,134	44,636
Mar. 11	24,447	16,871	41,318
Mar. 18	22,734	20,471	43,205
Mar. 25	34,220	21,480	55,700

The output of the Upper Connellsville and Greensburg Connellsville regions for 1916 was consigned by weeks and tons of 2,000 pounds as follows:

Week.	East.	West.	Total.
Jan. 8	13,591	23,618	37,712
Jan. 15	17,659	26,327	44,016
Jan. 22	17,611	18,837	36,448
Jan. 29	19,434	22,844	42,278
Feb. 5	19,719	23,560	43,279
Feb. 12	22,350	25,856	48,206
Feb. 19	19,698	23,645	43,343
Feb. 26	18,807	27,545	36,352
Mar. 4	18,304	26,332	44,636
Mar. 11	17,672	23,646	41,318
Mar. 18	21,872	21,333	43,205
Mar. 25	24,888	30,812	55,700

For the purposes of comparison, the average weekly shipments out of these regions for quarters during 1915 follow:

Quarter:	East.	West.	Total.
First	15,529	18,681	34,210
Second	14,215	22,247	36,462
Third	17,288	25,856	43,143
Fourth	18,491	22,815	41,306

AVALANCHE OF ORDERS

Continue to Roll in Upon the Makers of Steel and Its Products.

Strive as they may the steel companies are utterly unable to avoid the avalanche of business precipitated upon them. Since the first of March the United States Steel Corporation subsidiaries are understood to have taken orders at a greater rate than in February, indicating that sales have aggregated approximately 1,000,000 tons.

If independent companies have shared equally in the new business offered contracts placed during the first fifteen days of March have been approximately 2,000,000 tons, which at an average rate of $50 per ton means gross sales amounting to $100,000,000. Since the first of January, the United States Steel Corporation subsidiaries' business has amounted to 4,800,000 tons of rolled steel products, indicating total orders taken by all interests, amounting to 8,000,000 tons.

Henry K. Wick Dead.

Henry K. Wick, Youngstown, O., a prominent capitalist and heavy stockholder in Youngstown industries, died Wednesday in Buffalo, N. Y., after a short illness.

Bethlehem's Pay Roll.

The Bethlehem Steel Company now has a payroll of approximately 35,000 employes and that the payroll amounts to $4,000,000 a month.

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STEEL PRICES ARE STRONGER

While New Premiums are Appearing in Structural Shapes and There is Much Vain Discussion as to When the End of the Rise Will Come.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, March 29—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the iron and steel trade tomorrow as follows:

Minimum prices on bars, plates and shapes for delivery at mill convenience are $3 a ton higher, at 2.60c for bars and shapes and 2.75c for plates, and sellers are hard to find at these prices. Premiums for prompt shipment of bars and plates have increased, while premiums on mill shipment of structural shapes have appeared. The failure of the predicted advance in wire products to materialize last Monday is ascribed to the sold up condition of the mills, whereby they do not wish to incur the selling obligations involved in the announcement of a new price. Minimum prices on sheets are up $2 a ton on sheet mill sizes and $3 a ton on tin mill sizes. Tubular goods are very strong, with another advance expected shortly. The National Tube Company will build a complete Bessemer steel plant at Gary, from ore docks to coupling shop, this being the first new Bessemer steel plant for ten years.

There is now considerable discussion as to how and when the end of the steel rise will occur but such discussion is purely academic at present. The market is still growing stronger and promises to continue so for weeks or months to come. In the past, when the tonnages on mill books were of less specific character than the present orders, it has always taken longer than expected to work them off and thus the prospect is distinct that at no time this year will it be easy to secure deliveries.

There is less disposition on the part of ordinary buyers to contract for far forward delivery, but orders of one sort or another are piling in upon the mills in such manner that they are falling farther and farther behind. The Steel Corporation's tonnage statement is expected to show a material gain in unfilled orders during March.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY A GREAT BUREAU OF INFORMATION

Thousands of Inquiries Answered Concerning the Economic Geology of the Earth's Crust.

Many persons in the United States evidently think of the United States geological survey as a great bureau of geologic information, for the survey answered 50,000 letters of inquiry last year concerning the earth's crust and what it contains. Letters come from all parts of the country at the rate of about a thousand a week, asking the name, source, character, use, and value of minerals and the location of various kinds of rocks suitable for different uses. More and more inquiries for information about our mineral resources are coming from South and Central America. The representative of one foreign country wanted to know where to get a large supply of coal of a particular grade, and a purchaser from another country wanted to place an order for monthly shipments of several hundred tons of lime.

The survey is in close touch with the 90,000 producers of minerals in the United States, and is ready to answer questions about the annual production of 70 different minerals or mineral products. Furthermore, the survey knows the places in the United States where more than 425 different minerals may be found so that it is in a position to act as the public agency in bringing the mineral producer and consumer into touch with each other.

Federal law prohibits the survey from making special examinations, such as assays and analyses for private individuals, but the geologists can make simple mineral determinations and give information as to the identity and use of minerals submitted. It is an everyday occurrence for the survey to answer many such questions as these: "What is this mineral, and if it is of value, where can I find a purchaser?" "Where can I get a supply of sand in my own state that will analyze 97 per cent silica?" "Where does platinum occur?" "In what geologic relations is manganese ore found?" By answering the many and miscellaneous inquiries for geologic information the survey is becoming increasingly valuable to the public. All inquiries of the federal survey should be addressed to the director, United States Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

Expansion Continues.

The steel companies continue to make preparations for plant extensions and other similar contracts are contemplated, calling for 10,000 to 15,000 tons of steel. The latest order was placed by the Donner Steel Company for a mill building, to be constructed at Buffalo, calling for 4,500 tons of fabricated steel.

Coal Famine in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee is near a coal famine, the docks being cleaned of last season's shipments.

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The firm, having just finished a quarter of a century of success, is entering a new period with a spirit of optimism. A good omen is the fact that the March business has been greater than any similar month in past years, and 1916 is expected to break all records in the volume of business transacted.

HEAVY RAIL BUYING

Baltimore & Ohio Increases Its Orders to 75,000 Tons.

In two days last week the railroad companies ordered 262,000 tons of standard section rails, mainly for delivery in 1917. These contracts included 40,000 tons additional for the Baltimore & Ohio, making the total purchases by this road 75,000 tons, of which 50,000 tons will be rolled by the United States Steel Corporation mills and the balance by the Pennsylvania, Cambria and other independent companies.

The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy has ordered 20,000 tons more, the Santa Fe 10,000 tons and the Union Pacific 15,000 tons additional to be rolled by the Illinois Steel Company. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas has also ordered 15,000 tons standard sections from Chicago mills.

The Pennsylvania railroad is expected to place rail contracts this week for next year's requirements which will probably aggregate upward of 200,000 tons. Including the New York Central requirements rail business is pending aggregating 500,000 tons for next year's shipment.

PREDICTS GREAT INCREASE.

In Growth of the By-Product Coke Industry During the Year.

At a meeting of the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania in Pittsburg Tuesday night, C. G. Atwater, manager of the agricultural department of the American Coal Products Company, of New York, read a paper on "The Utilization of By-Products from the Manufacture of Coke."

The author declared that the building of beehive ovens has been practically abandoned and stated that in 1915 22 per cent of all the coke used was manufactured in by-product ovens. He predicted that this proportion would be raised to 35 per cent during the present year.

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Ferro Manganese Sells at That Rate in Pittsburg.

A carload of ferro manganese, the alloy that is essential for the making of steel, was sold within the past few days to a steel manufacturer in the Pittsburg district on the basis of $1,000 a ton, a price that has fairly stunned the steel trade of this territory.

Manganese went begging for $30 a ton at the time the war in Europe began. At the lowest rate of its use in steel, the manganese will add to cost of production, from $10 to $12 a ton that must be absorbed by the consumer.

High Price for Billets.

Two thousand tons of forging billets were sold this week in Pittsburg on the basis of $85 a ton. The last reported sale at $60. A year ago they were sold at $28.

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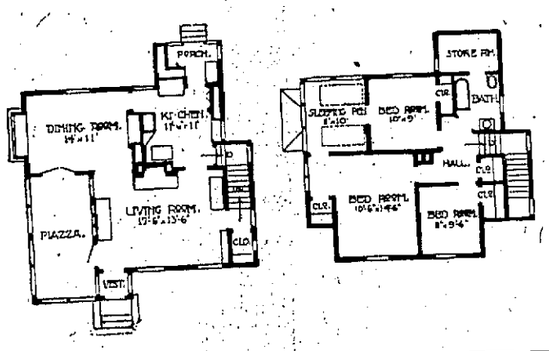

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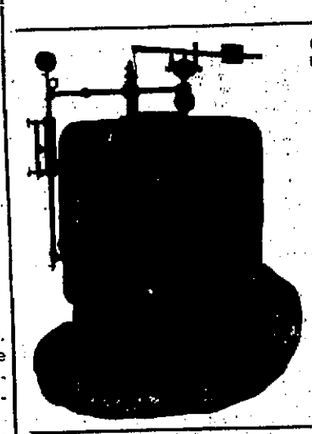

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LABOR SHORTAGE NOT A POSSIBILITY BUT A CONDITION

With Which Industry of the Pittsburg District is Confronted.

MINES AND RAILROADS SUFFER

Most From Inadequate Working Forces: A New Supply of Men, Not High Wages, Seems to be the Only Solution of a Very Serious Problem.

As spring comes closer at hand the problem of labor supply in the Pittsburg district is fast assuming an acute stage. This is not a long-faced possibility, but is already an actual and real condition with which industry in all it branches is confronted. The railroads and mines are no doubt the worst sufferers from the lack of an adequate force of men, but other industries are scarcely less handicapped in reaching full plant capacity at a period when trade demands are urgent.

In the current issue of the Railway Age, F. R. Layng, engineer of track of the Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad, states that "the railroads in the Pittsburg district face the most serious labor situation in their history. There is an absolute shortage estimated roughly at from 15,000 to 20,000 men at the present time. In addition to this the quality of labor now available is much below that formerly used. The causes of this lie, first, in the large number of men who have returned to Europe on account of the war—the head of a large labor bureau estimating that 20,000 Italians alone have left the railroads in the Pittsburg district—and second, on account of the increased demand for common labor in the mills and other manufacturing plants. For the coming season the railroads will have to compete not only with the mills, but also with a large amount of building, and contract work on public roads, etc.

"The Italian, who formerly furnished the bulk of the common labor used on the railroads, has gone, so that it is useless to expect to recruit from this source. At present the railroads are using Austrians, Greeks, Slavs and to a limited extent the so-called hobo secured in New York, Chicago and Cleveland.

"One feature very noticeable at present is that the men now here are keenly alive to the difficulty and they are taking advantage of it to move from one job to another on the slightest pretext. Further, the men are more or less in the hands of unscrupulous labor agents who are making the most of the opportunity to secure men by inducing the men to leave one road to go to another.

"Several roads are figuring on using the negro, but it is a question whether they can be held on account of the conditions under which they will have to live. The solution lies not in a material increase of wages or in a radical change in the conditions under which the men work or live, but in bringing additional force into this district. Just where these additional men can be drawn from is not now apparent and yet this seems to be the only solution."

A correspondent of The Coal Trade Journal notes that the shortage of labor at some of the mines in the Pittsburg district is "due to a number of causes, one among them charged being that large companies have sent agents among the men at smaller operations to wean them away. Another is that miners themselves have been won over to some of the large companies because they offer sick, accident and death benefits to employes or to their families.

"The chief factor that counts for shortages, however, is that so many men of Italian, Slav or Greek nativity or subject-hood have gradually disappeared since the war began. This did not appear so prominently until late last year, but since the uplift came in demand for coal, and manufacturing companies have been offering high wages for labor—as high as $2.50 is being paid in and about Pittsburg for common labor—many men have, under advice from consular officers, abandoned the mines for surface jobs. The railroad companies have also been offering temptations to mine workers. All these count importantly in the general situation, and are likely to count much more importantly before the end of the year."

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RAILROADS MAKE OFFER

Submit Counter Proposals for Consideration of Employes.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Eastern railroad managers replied today to the demands of their employes for an eight hour day and higher rates for overtime work by submitting propositions of their own for discussion. The demands of the employes are not refused, neither is a demand made by the railroad managers for the acceptance of their own proposals.

These are considered for consideration in the negotiations that are expected to follow.

"What the railroads ask for is an open door," their reply states.

The reply was sent today to the officials of the four brotherhoods immediately after the receipt of the employes' demands.

The railroad managers demand that there shall be open for discussion those provisions in present scheduled of compensation which are "in conflict" with the following principles:

No double compensation for the same time or service.

The same classification for the purpose of compensation to be supplied to all members of a train and engine crew.

Two or more differently paid classes of service performed in the same day or trip to be paid proportionate rates according to the class of service, with not less than a minimum day for the combined service.

The reply explains that these are not "counter proposals" but that "in such a fundamental reconstruction of the wage basis as is proposed by the employes, the railroads insist they have a right to demand a frank discussion as to the rules and regulations interwoven in the present wage structure, many rules and regulations that are fair and equitable under the present basis of pay manifestly would be unfair and inequitable on any other basis of pay.

The present standards of rules and working conditions the railroad managers hold "the adequate and even liberal to their employes."

They have no desire, they say, to reduce the employes' earnings, but demand consideration of the matters affected by the three principals named "inasmuch as your proposals contemplate fundamental changes in operating methods and practices on which the schedules have been built up.

SYRUP OF FIGS FOR CROSS, SICK FEVERISH CHILD

If Little Stomach is Sour, Liver Torpid or Bowels Clogged.

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become tightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it and it can not cause injury. No difference what ails your little one—if full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.—Adv.

TO PROBE GASOLINE RISE

Senate Calls on Attorney General to Investigate Price.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Agitation over the soaring price of gasoline came up in the Senate today and ended in the adoption of a resolution by Senator Martine directing the attorney general to investigate whether rising prices are the result of an unlawful conspiracy.

Senator Martine's resolution was prefaced by a preamble asserting that the "Standard Oil trust" controlled the gasoline output and prices.

"Every senator here knows—he doesn't think," said Senator Stone, "that consumers of gasoline are being robbed by some thieves."

Senator Cummins declared he had knowledge that the trade commission was preparing to report to the attorney general on a complaint that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was in a conspiracy with eastern branches of the company, "the effect of which is to life the prices of gasoline in the eastern country above prices in the West, where there is some competition forced by independent concerns."

HONORING HOLMES

A New Safety Body Named After the First Director of Mines.

A society known as the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association, in honor of the memory of Dr. Joseph A. Holmes formerly director of the United States Bureau of Mines, who died Jan. 15, 1915, has been created in Washington, D. C. The object of the organization will be to take cognizance of acts of heroism in the saving of life in mines and the prevention of mine disasters.

The association will meet annually to make awards. On the executive council are Dr. John A. Brashear of Pittsburg, Von H. Manning, director of the United States Bureau of Mines; Charles D. Walcott, paleontologist and director of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington; Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Hennen Jennings, a mining engineer of Washington.

Guns That "Jammed" at Columbus, N. M.; General Crozier Explains Their Failure.

MACHINE GUN SECTION INTRENCHED NEAR PALOMAS, MEX., AND IN THE OPEN

Above is part of a machine gun section intrenched near Palomas, Mexico, approaching the mountains seen in the background. Note, on the right, an officer using a range finder. Below is the same section photographed after leaving the shallow trenches for the open. These guns were criticised by United States officers at Vera Cruz two years ago and jammed in the Villa raid on Columbus. An official report explaining that difficulty of loading in darkness was responsible for the failure of the guns was made at the War Department. Brigadier General Crozier, chief of ordnance, had ordered an investigation.

"The reason for the jamming of the machine guns during the fight," the report says, "was not the failure of the mechanism to function properly, but was due to the fact that the night was dark and it was difficult to load the gun. In loading the feed strip has to be inserted in a narrow slot or guide. If the strip is not inserted properly in this guide the gun will fire about five shots and then jam. This happened to two of the guns, as it was so dark that it was almost impossible to get the strips in the slots. The other two guns did not jam, and the execution they did showed the value of machine gun fire." General Crozier said, "No entirely satisfactory machine rifle has yet been developed."

BULLSKIN SCHOOLS

Report is Made for the Fifth and Sixth Months.

The report of the Bullskin township schools for the fifth and sixth months submitted by W. E. Miller, supervising principal, shows a total enrollment of 920 and a percentage of attendance of 91. The following pupils have made an average of 80 per cent and over in the different grades in the third quarterly test:

Eighth Grade—Clifford Crosby, Austin Layman, Lewis Bell, Paul Miller, Donald Lenhart, May Ulery, John Harbaugh, Bertha Miller, Clara Detwiler, Beulah Detwiler, Elizabeth Harris, Margaret French, Mike Kozak, Mary Knopsnider, Tillie Livingston, Hazel Kuhns, Mary Herbert, Charles Steber, Otto Craig, Leroy Wineman, Elizabeth Daniels, Lillian Whitehair, Manilla Solenday, Althea Fisher, Pearl Detwiler, Ruth Miner, Wade Bowser, Andy Spaugy, Ray Mull, William Hays, Leroy Yothers, Sherrick Rhodes, Ruth Rhodes, Pearl Yothers, Irene Campbell, Mary G. Knopsnider.

Seventh Grade—Eldo Weaver, John Wilson, Jean Kuhns, Florence Grim, Hazel Trader, Howard Wilson, Percy Gray, Hannah Auer, Ernest Mistlebauer, Leroy Firestone, Jennie Speelman, Leroy Smitley, Mary Ebernart, Susie Landa, Goldie Brown, Katie Spaugy, William Spaugy, Hannah Hays, Eugene Rhodes, Stanton Wadsworth, Geneva Wadsworth, Alice Bitonour, Alice Craig, Helen Junick, Annie Junick, Clyde Fisher, Norman Washabaugh, David Reckner, Leona Ritenour, Paul Truxel, Emma Hinkel.

Sixth Grade—Jerret Strickler, Braden Wingrove, Dwight Stauffer, James French, Roger Miller, Daisy Vance, Elsie Nickelson, Emma Horner, William Zelmore, William Long, Margaret McMann, Margaret Lincoln, Margaret Wilson, Margaret Wagner, Annie G. Colburn, Ray Herbert, Elmer Hebenthall, Rose Smitley, Harry Speelman, Goldie Sanner, Alva Christner, Earl Butler, William Steber, Elizabeth Landa, Sadie Landa, Pearl Kuhns, Emerson Lankey, Walter Forsythe, Homer Brown, Joseph Freshnaler, Wendell Bush, Mabel Rice, Lloyd Rice, Frank Robbins, Florence Choski, Ivy Kinser, David Snyder, Andrew Kornok, Lloyd Keefer, Reuben Knopsnider.

Fifth Grade—Alice Detwiler, Ruth Weaver, Ruth Reading, J. F. Miller, D. F. Miller, Stanley Bitner, Nellie Brown, Lillian Brown, Annie Snyder, Mary Bales, Earl Brown, Stanley Ulery, Seneff Kauffman, Alex Geniski, Amos Mull, Lena Bailey, Josie Minford, Mabel Edward, Fannie Shafer, Annie Caldwell, Carl Koeser, Ethel Newell, Clyde Means, Perry Whitehair, Jacob May, Viola Santore, Margaret Santore, Thomas Lankey, Francis Terlunko, George Booker, Orlo Medgscar, Mildred Rhodes, Frederick Hays, Spurgeon Solomon, William Beal, Samuel Craig, Thomas Boring, Alfred McLaughlin, Elsie Craig, Caroline Washbaugh, Mary Kinner, Verna Junick, Margaret Junick, Alma Stout, Leona Brenkiron, Ruth Baslinger, Bert Baslinger, William Mason, Marie Hillen, Charles Hillen, George Brooks.

Railroads Active Buyers.

The railroads continue actively in the market for all kinds of equipment, especially for rails with contracts aggregating 125,000 tons of standard sections, placed for delivery in 1917. Among the largest contracts are 35,000 tons for the Baltimore & Ohio, which has been divided between Pittsburg and Chicago mills.

More Furnaces at Farrell.

Three more open hearth furnaces and soaking pits are ordered for the works at Farrell, Pa.

HIS OWN STORY HOLDS A THRILL FOR THOUSANDS

Well Known Pittsburger is Qualified to Speak for Multitude.

The story told by E. C. Byers, of 347 Pearl Street, a well-known Pittsburg butcher, will strike home to many hundreds of men and women. In the recital of his sufferings he might have ben spokesman for a multitude, for in all cities there are legions who will recognize as their own, Mr. Byers' statement:

"I had constant spells of choking and coughing because of the secretions of mucus in my nose and throat, which I eventually swallowed as I slept and which finally affected my stomach. I would wake four or five times a night because of the choking sensations. Rarely did I ever get a night's rest.

"When I decided to take a remedy, a friend said: 'You will not make a mistake if you try Tanlac.' I believed him. I have used two bottles and Tanlac has helped me so much that I just want to tell every one what it has done for me. My catarrh has practically gone entirely. I sleep much better and my sense of taste and smell that were badly affected have improved wonderfully. My appetite, too, has come back and I feel like I could eat eight or nine times a day. The pain over my eyes and in other parts of my head has disappeared. I get up in the mornings with a clear head, not at all stuffed up and dizzy as formerly."

Tanlac is now sold in Connellsville exclusively by the Connellsville Drug Co., where the premier preparations can now be had.—Adv.

LAKE COAL RATES

A General Investigation to be Made by the Commerce Commission.

An order has been entered by the Interstate Commerce Commission, providing for a general investigation of lake cargo coal rates. The order grew out of a complaint filed on behalf of the Pittsburg Coal Operators' Association against a rate of 78 cents a ton on lake cargo coal from the bituminous coal fields in the Pittsburg district to Ashtabula, O., and of numerous informal complaints directed against the present rates on bituminous coal from mines in Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio to lower Lake Erie ports.

It was decided by the commission adjustment of these rates could be more equitably, expeditiously and comprehensively considered and disposed of by consolidating all of the cases and ordering a general investigation.

EVERY 40 MINUTES.

A Train of Ore Will Leave Conneaut When the Season Opens.

The Bessemer & Lake Erie railroad is planning to send out an ore-laden train from Conneaut for the Pittsburg furnaces every 40 minutes when the shipping season opens. Apparatus for unloading ore from lake boats at the port of Conneaut has been installed this winter, which will increase the capacity 25 per cent.

It is estimated that 66,000,000 tons of ore can be handled by the Bessemer & Lake Erie railroad this year during the lake shipping season.

PRICE OF STEEL RAILS IS NOT LIKELY TO BE ADVANCED

United States Steel Corporation Declines to Change Long-Established Figure of $28 Per Ton.

In view of the strong tendency of steel prices upward, there has been some consideration given to the possibility of an advance in the price of standard section steel rails. It is understood that some of the independent steelmakers would like to see the standard rail raised to $30, but as far as can be learned, the more influential manufacturers are opposed to the change, even considering the establishment of extraordinary prices for other material.

The United States Steel Corporation has decided to make no advance in the price of standard section rails no matter what action may be taken by other rail mills. This, of course, means, says the American Metal Market, that the railroads will secure all the tonnage they require at $28 for Bessemer and $30 per ton for open hearth standard sections. Under the circumstances, it is not surprising that the railroads are buying rails heavily, when prices of all other rolled products have advanced from $16 to $25 or even more, per ton.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the capacity of rail mills of the country is approximately 6,500,000 tons annually. Of this total the United States Steel Corporation interests are able to roll about 4,000,000 tons a year, based upon actual performances of the mills during times of greatest activity.

The capacity of the independent rail mills gives a total of approximately 2,000,000 tons annually, including 340,000 tons of the Lackawanna Steel Company, 200,000 tons for the Cambria Steel Company, 700,000 tons for the Pennsylvania and Maryland Steel Companies, and 250,000 tons for the Bethlehem Steel Company.

The largest annual output of steel rails was approximately 3,986,000 tons in 1906. The average yearly requirements of the railroads therefore is less than 4,000,000 tons, even making allowance for light sections and girder rails. It is thus evident that the United States Steel Corporation under ordinary conditions, would be able to meet the entire rail requirements, so that the 2,000,000 to 2,500,000 tons produced by the independent companies would be surplus. It is thus clearly evident that the action of the United States Steel Corporation in refusing to advance prices of rails at this time will probably govern the action of the independent mills.

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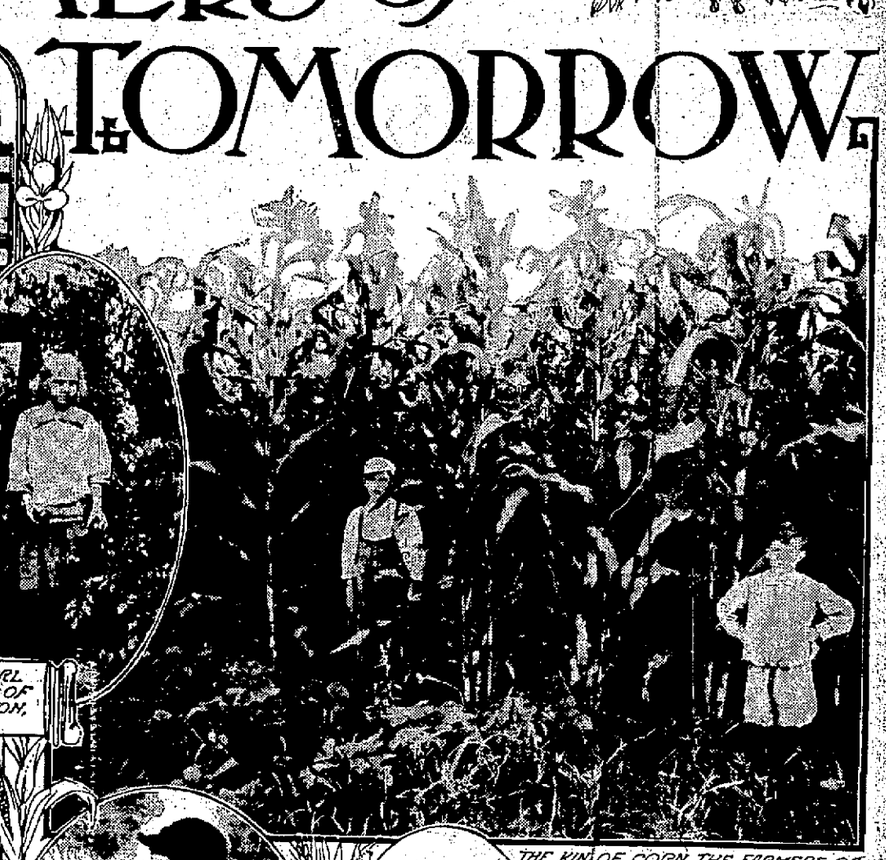

THE KIND OF CORN THE FARMERS OF TOMORROW RAISE. TWO WISCONSIN BOYS IN THEIR CORN FIELD.

A CITY GIRL GARDENER OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

MERTIE HARDIN, GARDEN AND CANNING CLUB CHAMPION.

JERRY MOORE, OF SOUTH CAROLINA WHO IN 1910 GREW 228 BUSHELS OF CORN ON ONE ACRE—ONE OF THE ORIGINAL CORN-BOYS

HOWARD DALTON, CHAMPION POTATO-GROWER, 1914.

Boys and Girls Today Are in Organization Larger Than U. S. Standing Army and Are Showing the Country How to Grow Crops.

By MELVIN RYDER.

THE farm of tomorrow—what will it be like? What will it yield? How will it be operated? What profits will it give to the farmer of tomorrow? The farmer of tomorrow—what of him? How will he conduct his farm? What crops will he raise? How will he manage his acres? What will he feed his live stock? Tomorrow the next generation of farmers will be in charge of the production of the food supply of the United States. What are they going to do about the high cost of living, the middleman and the thousand and one other problems that are today apparently far from solution?

Predicting what the farms and the farmers of tomorrow will be like isn't guesswork. It isn't like forecasting the weather, although that is getting to be mighty accurate. The reason why we can tell what the farms of tomorrow and the farmers of tomorrow will be like and what they will do is because we know what 151,194 of them are now doing. We know the kind of farming methods they are using, the yields they are getting, the way they are solving the same thousand and one problems that have the farmers of today backed up in the corners.

These 151,194 farmers of tomorrow are only part of the total number whose records and methods of doing things are recorded. The farms on which this army of youngsters—greater in numbers than the entire standing army of the United States—are only part of the total number of farms where the gentle reader, President Wilson or any other citizen of the United States or any other part of the world can observe what the coming farmers of tomorrow are doing on the farms that are embryo farms of tomorrow. This particular army, this particular collection of 151,194 farmers and farms are scattered and mobilized in just 33 states of the Union—just the northern and western states.

Another Army in South and East.

Another army is found in the eastern and southern states, equally equipped with education and determination, equally capable, as shown by their records of achievements. So far we have been talking about the boys. Bless you, the girls are ready to do their share. How about the farmers' wives of tomorrow? In the northern and western states an army of 118,367 have already enrolled, and recruits are flocking in by the thousands. Down South and throughout the East the enrollments are just as large, the records of their work, their fitness to become the wives of the farmers of tomorrow just as positive.

And still we haven't drawn up our entire known forces. These 270,000 boys and girls, the farmers and the farmers' wives of temorrow, are only those who are signed up in the various boys' and girls' agricultural clubs conducted by the state agricultural colleges and the United States department of agriculture in just 33 states. This army—more than double the standing army of our nation—is supplemented by "state militia," as we might term the thousands and hundred thousands enrolled in other clubs and agricultural organizations, in every state in the Union.

General Jerry Moore's Record.

Five hundred men and women are devoting all or the greater part of their time to managing these boys' and girls' clubs. But these aren't the generals, nor even the real leaders. The boys and the girls have their own generals and other leaders. General Jerry Moore of South Carolina is one of the leading commanders. He's the boy who, 'way back in 1910, when the army wasn't more than a corporal's guard, grew more than 228 bushels of corn on one acre. He doesn't even belong to the army of 151,194 members, for he's in the southern branch of the service. But he's one of the farmers of tomorrow, and has recruited thousands through his own success, since 1910. South Carolina, his native state, had been marking time in corn production before Gen. Jerry Moore got into action. The whole state fell into step and "followed the leader" to the extent of increasing her corn yield from 17,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels, and the whole farming population of the South found itself marching up and down the corn furrows with the result that they added millions more bushels to the corn yield, as well as increases in other branches of farming.

Miss Eloise Parsons of Clarinda, Iowa, is another of the commanders in chief. She is the champion tomato grower of the northern states, according to the United States department of agriculture's records of the thousands of girls enlisted in the garden and canning clubs. Miss Parsons obtained a yield of 6,318 pounds of tomatoes from her tenth-acre plot, at a total cost of just $15.61, including rent of the land, her own time (at ten cents per hour), fertilizers and sprays.

A seventeen-year-old Utah boy, Merle Hyer, is one of the western generals who just conducted a wonderfully successful campaign. General Hyer has been bombarding the claim that 54 bushels of potatoes, the average yield in the United States, is as large a crop as a grown-up man ought to try to produce from one acre. General Hyer just had one-half acre, but on that bit of ground he raised 332 bushels. Think of such a yield from half an acre! The equivalent of 797 bushels per acre—almost 800 per cent higher than the average crop in America! Utah farmers had to take notice, and they have. It is safe to predict that they will be helping along behind their seventeen-year-old general by increasing and doubling their yields during the next few years.

Canned 99 Varieties Last Year.

Miss Helen Durham is just twelve years old. She's another western leader, from the native state of General Hyer—Utah. Her exhibit of canned goods is at the Panama-Pacific exposition. She canned just 99 different varieties of fruits, vegetables and meats. She would have canned an even hundred, only she couldn't find anything else in Utah to can. Aren't the farmers of tomorrow going to have a variety of canned goods?

Champions are selected in each state annually. Of the 38 champions of 1914, who are organized in a thirty-third degree organization known as the National All-Star club, 31 are now attending high schools, agricultural and other colleges, three of the remaining seven have already graduated from high schools and one will go to an agricultural college next year.

New Jersey Boy Second-Termer.

General Robert Mack of Robbinsville, N. J., is one of the eastern second-termers, who apparently is going to keep on increasing his yields and cutting down his costs every year! "And he's only a bit of a lad, too," as one of the farmers near his home said of him. In 1913 he grew 108 bushels of corn on one acre, where such yields were considered impossible. The next season he proceeded to add ten bushels to his yield from the same acre, and to cut down the cost of production per bushel from 39.8 cents to 31.9 cents. He explained that he "trapped for moles and got them," just another way of explaining that he managed his soil, his plant food supply, his cultivation and the other factors that are included in corn production with a skill and a wisdom far in advance of the farmers of today. He is one of the farmers of tomorrow.

Corn growing, gardening and canning clubs aren't all the activities in which the armies that will farm the farms of tomorrow are now engaged. Clubs and projects for boys and girls which have as their objects potato growing, bread baking, farm management, good roads, baby beef production, poultry raising, apple growing, wheat growing and bread making, alfalfa growing, backyard gardening, sugar beet growing, home garden and canning, corn and pork production, farm and home handicraft work, home efficiency management, marketing, pig growing, stock judging, sewing, cooking, are included in the work being done by those who will live and work on the farms of tomorrow.

"A Pig for Every Boy and Girl in Spokane County" is the motto of one of the Washington clubs. On the Indian reservations the boys and girls are enrolled in clubs. Throughout the entire South, thousands are enrolled in every state, and far surpassing the records made by their parents. Over 7,500 are enrolled in Louisiana. There the girls outnumber the boys in enrollment. Clubs of more local character are scattered through the entire United States in addition to the work directly under the agricultural colleges and the United States department of agriculture. Records are kept carefully to show the total costs, the gross returns and the net profits. The results are checked up and audited by county agents and government representatives.

Insures Future of Agriculture.

The future of agriculture is at last on a sound basis, for the educators, the leaders in better farming are working with the farmers of tomorrow, and the farmers of tomorrow are responding with yields and results many, many times greater and incidentally more profitable than are being obtained by the farmers of today. The work with boys and girls has been going on in the northern, eastern and western states now less than three years. In the South it is a little older. Yet if the results upon the farmers of today could be determined they would astound the entire nation. One of the foremost advocates of better farming in the United States declared that the work carried on among the boys and girls has had greater beneficial effects upon the farmers of today than all the teachings, all the experimenting and demonstration work done by the colleges, the experiment stations, the extension departments and the government experts during the past ten years.

For years the government experts and all other agencies have been at work for corn improvement. Seed testing, fertilization, better cultural methods and a baker's dozen other practices have been advocated, and yet the average yield of corn per acre for the ten-year period beginning in 1870 was half a bushel more per acre than the yields for the ten-year period ending in 1914. It took Gen. Jerry Moore to wake up the farmers of the South. His demonstration of cultural methods, use of fertilizers and the other factors, coupled with his enormous yield from one acre of land started the entire state of South Carolina and soon afterwards the entire South toward greater yields of corn.

Boys Are Helping Dairymen.

Extended investigations and surveys made in many states have shown that one-third of the dairy cows have been kept at a loss to their owners and that another third have been barely paying their board. The boys' dairy-cattle judging contests and clubs is one of the factors that is correcting such a condition and bringing the dairying industry to its proper place in permanent, profitable agriculture. Farmers have been losing forty million dollars each year from damage to oats from smut. The farmers of tomorrow will quickly stop this loss—a loss which no other industry in the world could stand. The damage can be absolutely prevented by the use of formalin on the seed, at a cost of less than one cent a bushel for the seed sown. The farmers of today have not yet stopped this enormous waste, but the farmers of tomorrow will, and very promptly.

Few farmers of today know how to cure hay properly, or at least in the best manner. Though the hay crop is one of the leading cash crops, the yield and quality are lower proportionately than any other staple crop. The farmers of tomorrow will handle the hay-curing situation in a hurry, and they will increase the yields and improve the quality.

Most farmers of today work alone. They practically keep high board fences around their farms. This is especially true of the unsuccessful farmers. "Co-operation will solve the problems of any business," declared one of Chicago's leading business men at a meeting of the Chicago board of trade a few weeks ago. The farmers of tomorrow are going to co-operate. They are going to unite and work together, throughout the entire United States. The farmers of today have heard the adage "In unity there is strength," but they have made little use of it. The farmers of tomorrow are going to make this adage one of their "secrets of success."

Building on Permanent Basis.

Profitable agriculture in any country has its basis in the fertility of the soil. Long before the Christian era the Egyptians tilled the lands along the fertile Nile and in times of famine fed the other nations whose territory bordered on Egypt. The biblical story of Joseph and his brethren brings out the dependence of the other nations on Egypt in times of famine. The Nile overflowed its banks each year and deposited a fresh layer of fertility upon the acres, with the result that the Egyptian farmers had only to plant, to cultivate and to reap. Records from ancient Babylon, from the Greek and Roman writers on agriculture, including Virgil and Cato, show that these nations prospered along agricultural lines and rose to prominence as nations as they made use of methods of soil improvement which produced large and valuable crops.

The Roman writer, Cato, 234 B. C. to 149 B. C., impresses the necessity of "the soil of a farm being good and fertile." Pliny, who lived from 23 A. D. to 79 A. D., pointed out the value of certain crops as cover crops—to be planted "for no other purpose but as food for other crops." He also writes about the value of legumes and other "crops that enrich the ground." Yet the farmers of today have not grasped the worth of cover crops and legumes to upbuild their soils. In the South the average yield of cotton is less than 200 pounds per acre. Demonstrations on hundreds of acres have shown that the yields can be increased, with the use of cover crops that do not interfere with the raising of the cotton and the supplying of plant food, in less than five years to 500 pounds and more per acre. The farmers of tomorrow have already started to follow the teachings that have been advocated since the time of Pliny, Cato and Virgil.

Thorough Tillage Urged in 1534.

English writers discussed agriculture as early as 1534. One of the first books on better farming was published then, by a farmer of Berkshire. He urged thorough tillage in the preparation of the seedbed. Boussingault first started field experiments, and Hellriegel and Willfarth gave us the first glimpses of the work of bacteria on the roots of legumes. Liebig, in 1840, first demonstrated that plant food could be applied and should be applied to soils that needed certain elements to enable them to give maximum yields, and also demonstrated that such practices were profitable. The farmers of tomorrow are going to build up the soils, now depleted by continuous cropping, because from the time of Liebig to the present day and the latest reported experiments the building up of soils has been found to be highly profitable.

The famous Rothamsted experiment station was founded in England by Sir John Lawes and Sir Joseph H. Gilbert in 1843. Definite rotations of crops were established and the use of available plant food studied through many years. Conclusive results were published and distributed through England and the entire world, showing that the use of fertilizers to supply needed elements of plant food increased the yields and improved the quality of the crops. The farmers of tomorrow have already discovered the same truths. Every boy corn grower has learned the effect of available plant food on the growth and quality of his crops. The records made by Gen. Jerry Moore and the thousands of other boys who far surpass the average farmer of today in corn production were not made without the proper supply of the various elements necessary for plant growth being present in the soil during the growing season. Soil, depleted of its fertility, could not produce record-breaking crops for the American boys, or for the boys or men of any country. When plant food elements were lacking they were supplied, of course, and the thousands of instances presented by the complete records of each boy's achievement are just that many more demonstrations of the history-old truth that soils must be made fertile and kept fertile if they are to produce high yields any particular season, or if they are to be capable of producing profitable yields in the future years.

How Tomorrow's Farmers Work.

The farmers of tomorrow know that there are certain factors that they cannot control. The amount of sunshine which their crops will receive during the growing season of any year, the range of temperature, the length of the growing season, and the annual rainfall cannot be adjusted to the convenience or the greater profit of a particular farmer. Except when his products are artificially watered, as in systems of irrigation, or when they are grown under glass, as in greenhouses, hotbeds and coldframes, these factors cannot be regulated directly. He can plant varieties that are adapted to his growing season, to withstand droughts and other unfavorable conditions and thereby indirectly regulate the "uncontrollable" factors, but in general he must take what he gets and with Riley, say, "then, rain's my choice," when it rains.

But tomorrow's farmers know that they can conserve the moisture in the soil, the circulation of the air in the soil, the physical and chemical conditions, and the supply of available plant food. They know far more than yesterday's farmers about the action of bacteria in the soil, the particular requirements of different plants, and many other factors about the growing conditions for greatest yields and by the time they are farming the farms of tomorrow they will have learned much more than is now known by the farmers of today.

Germany's remarkable yields per acre have been gained by only during the past few years. The official German crop returns, issued by the imperial statistical office, states that in 1912 there was a 38 per cent increase in the crop productions throughout the empire over the 1911 returns.

The farmer of tomorrow finds his fields differing from those on which the farmer of yesterday took his large yields without attention to the ultimate effects of his system of agriculture. He also finds the conditions as to land values in the United States, the necessity for more intensive methods and the general business of farming more nearly like the German farmer has been facing for years. The fields in many regions are lacking in fertility, especially in certain essential elements, or where the elements are present, as shown by analysis, the fields are lacking in available elements in quantities necessary for the production of profitable yields.

Land Values Constantly Increasing

Land values are higher and the cost of labor is steadily rising. The amount of capital necessary to properly operate a farm makes the overhead expenses and the interest charges much higher than those which faced the farmer of yesterday. Yet he also finds higher prices offered for his products, and he finds a greater opportunity than was before the farmer of yesterday or today. Woodrow Wilson predicts that America must and will feed the world. He points out that "not a plow or a spade must be left idle," and adds that "we must plant more and raise much more per acre." The farmers of tomorrow are already at work, carrying out his instructions. They are going further, for they are building agriculture on the same permanent basis that has resulted in Germany's double yields and perpetual fertility maintenance. Not a corn grower is there among the thousands that have taken part in the contests and enrolled in the clubs during the past three years but can duplicate his yield or increase his yield from the same acre.

Present Yields Will Be Doubled.

The farmers of tomorrow will be the true advocates of what has in the past been erroneously termed the "back to the soil" movement. The farmers of today have started back to the soil—the cornerstone of permanent agriculture—and the farmers of tomorrow are going to build on that cornerstone. "Two blades of grass where but one grew before" is just what is needed in America. The farmers of tomorrow have it in their power to double the yields per acre, and by going back to the soil—back to the improvement of the soil when it is needed—back to the maintenance of the fertility of the soil, they are going to succeed just as they have succeeded in their contests and their club work.

Good luck to you, Gen. Jerry Moore! Congratulations to you, Miss Durham of Utah, with your twelve-year-old achievement. Members of the National All-Star clubs, every one of the 151,194 and the other thousands—you who will live on the farms of tomorrow—may you find there life's greatest happiness. In closing the article I would cite George Washington, one of the greatest farmers of his day. He said, "I know of no pursuit in which more real and important service can be rendered one's country than by improving its agriculture."

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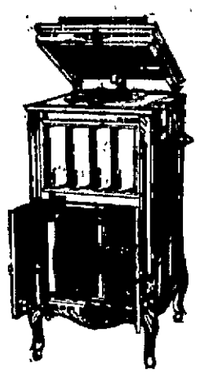

There are Three of These. Purchased of A. A. Clarke Connellsville, Pa.

District Second Prize

There are Three of These

No Losers

Any person entering the Contest and failing to win one of the prizes and turning in $10 on new subscriptions the last week of the contest, will be given a commission of Ten Per Cent on the money they turn in.

Here's a good list from which to select the person you are going to favor. THE SAXON SIX will be given to the person who has the greatest number of votes at the close of the contest. The $400 Building Lot will be given to the person having the second greatest number of votes. In each district there will be given a $100 Grafonola and a $40 Diamond Ring with the Cash Commission to everyone not winning one of the prizes. IT is not the number of people on the list today but the number who stick until May 20th, when the Contest closes, that counts. SEE THAT YOU STICK.

Who Will Win?

DISTRICT NO. I.
(All of Fayette County.)

Mrs. L. B. Herbert, Connellsville, R. D. 2 5,000
Homer Penrod, 231 S. Ninth street, West Side, C'ville 5,000
A. C. McManis, 608 E. Murphy avenue, Connellsville 5,000
Virginia Cuneo, 514 E. Murphy avenue, Connellsville 5,000
George W. Enos, 207 S. Prospect street, Connellsville 5,000
Mabel Franks, 408 N. Tenth street, Connellsville 5,000
Kathryn Walsh, Dawson 5,000
Quincy Pore, 350 Arch street, Connellsville 5,000
Rev. F. H. Everingham, Dawson 5,000
Grace Newmyer, Vanderbilt 5,000
Lewis Tukowsky 103 Second street Connellsville 5,000
Mrs. F. K. Bailey, Ohiopyle 5,000
Nelle Handler, Mt. Braddock 5,000
Mrs. Annabelle Beatty, Dickerson Run 5,000
Helen E. Durnell, 306 Patterson avenue, Connellsville 5,000
Emma Lou Ashe, 119 E Church street, Connellsville 5,000
Nettie OppermanNettie Opperman, 509 E. Francis avenue, Connellsville 5,000
Homer Lyons, Whitsett 5,000
Mary Wagoner, South C'ville 5,000
Hugh Doran, Lemont 5,000
Anna Mae McCarthy, South Connellsville 5,000
Anna Kelly, Pechin P. O., Dunbar 5,000
Annie Miller, Dunbar 5,000
Lela Blair, Perryopolis 5,000
James Boyd, Star Junction 5,000
E. R. Kooser, 107 Gallatin avenue, Connellsville 5,000
Ray Nixon, Fairchance 5,000
Jess Hill, Smithfield 5,000
J. W. Hardin, Smithfield 5,000
Mrs. Patrick McCabe, Youngstown 5,000
Dennis Burns, Lemont 5,000
Janie Johnson, Lemont 5,000
Anna Yaris, Lemont 5,000
Bridget McGeever, Lemont 5,000
Mrs. Hermon Earheart, Mount Braddock 5,000
David Parkhill, 128 N. Sixth street, Connellsville 5,000
O. B. Blackburn, 811 Franklin street, Connellsville 5,000
Rev. Irvin Dickey, Mill Run 5,000
Charles E. Steck, 601 Trump avenue, Connellsville 5,000
Rev. J. J. Greaney, Leisenring No. 1 5,000

DISTRICT NO. II.
((All of Westmoreland County.)

Mrs. R. L. Crosby, Mount Pleasant 5,000
Margaret Mawhinney, Tarr 5,000
Hilda Fitzpatrick, Mount Pleasant 5,000
Anna Hoebeck, 109 High street, Scottdale 5,000
William Kelley, 201 Grant street, Scottdale 5,000
Elizabeth Williams, Hurst Apts., Scottdale 5,000
Ladybird Sipe Harper, 714 Walnut street, Mount Pleasant 5,000
Ralph Byars, Alverton 5,000
Mildred McLaughlin, Everson 5,000
Laura Berlin, Everson 5,000
Mrs. J. H. Pore, Ruffsdale, R. D. 4 5,000
J. H. Bryan, Ruffsdale 5,000
J. F. Berry, N. Broadway, Scottdale 5,000
Mrs. Eva Smith, Youngwood 5,000
Robert Hill, Alverton 5,000
Rev. B. B. Ludwig, Mount Pleasant, R. D. 5,000
Alec Moorhead, Everson 5,000
Eva M. Rittenhouse, Scottdale 5,000
D. E. Hough, Scottdale, R. D. 5,000
John Darling, 111 Market street, Scottdale 5,000
Gilbert McKeowan, Scottdale 5,000
J. C. Simpson, Mount Pleasant R. D. 1 5,000
W. S. Kelly, R. D. 1, Ruffsdale 5,000
E. S. Steel, Ruffsdale 5,000
Mazie Love, Alverton 5,000
Steve Bronic, Owensdale 5,000

DISTRICT NO. III.
(All of Somerset County.)

H. J. Crawford, Confluence 5,000
L. S. Rush, Humbert 5,000
Mrs. George E. Baer, 40 Broadway, Meyersdale 5,000
Mrs. George Fishburn, Rockwood 5,000
Mrs. Elizabeth Rush, Rockwood 5,000
Mrs. John Benford, Rockwood 5,000
Mrs. M. S. Whipley, Rockwood R. D. 2 5,000
C. E. Koontz, Ursina 5,000
Katherine Leonard, Meyersdale 5,000
Mrs. Barbara Cunningham, Markleton, R. D. 1 5,000
L. S. May, Markleton 5,000
Mrs. John Ryan, Meyersdale 5,000
H. E. Landis, Berlin 5,000
Mrs. George Phillippi, Confluence 5,000
Robert Myers, Rockwood R. D. 1 5,000
Mrs. A. W. Harbaugh, Rockwood, R. D. 2 5,000
Julia Short, Meyersdale 5,000
Albert W. Young, Rockwood 5,000
Ida B. Rush, Confluence 5,000

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The Prize List Complete

1	Automobile	1
1	Acre Garden Lot	1
3	$100 Grafonolas	3
3	$40 Diamond Rings	3
$ $	In Commissions	$ $

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Extends to May 1st. Every $30 turned in on new subscriptions by or for a candidate will give a special certificate good for

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THE COKE TRADE IS LARGE AND GROWING; ATTAINS VOLUME OF ALMOST 460,000 TONS

Good Car Supply and Steady Work by Men Stimulate Production.

83½% OF OVENS IN OPERATION

Western Furnaces Take Lifegest Quota, But Eastern Shipments Fall Off Decidedly; Spring Freshet Not So Much of an Interference as Was Expected

From the Weekly Courier

The Connellsville trade is large and seems to be growing A big output is expected this week Cars have been in good supply and labor is steady in its employment Under these stimulating influences the coke movement last week again rose to record figured of the year With 88½% of the ovens in operation production aggregated 459,000 tons and shipments 455,000 tons being an increase of 26,000 tons or 6% over the figures of the previous week The increase was general but the furnace ovens made the better record Spring freshets interfered somewhat with shipments in the Lower Connellsville region where most of the merchant operations are, but not as much as was expected The Monongahela railroad was in poor shape for one day but aside from this the movement was full and the recovery complete The increased shipments went to the Pittsburg and Western furnaces There was marked falling off in Eastern shipments though they still continue good Some export coke went out on the Baltimore & Ohio this month and another order is booked by a merchant interest for shipment later The eastern freight embargo interferes with the shipment of export coke There are some shipments of coal from the region and there would be more if the car supply were better Last week the railroads were able to furnish only from 50 to 70% of coal car orders There is evidently a demand for 450,000 tons of Connellsville coke weekly, but it is not always possible to get it out because of the transportation and labor conditions The production and shipments for 1916 to date were as follows

Week	Fur	Mer	Total	Ship
Jan 1	219 112	160 06	379 778	411 573
Jan 8	251 204	178 171	429 064	431,644
Jan 15	248 [illegible]	171 947	420 [illegible]	410 189
Jan 22	242 511	178 [illegible]	400 809	392 144
Jan 29	255 576	187 040	442 616	442 508
Feb 5	251 487	181 197	432 684	420 090
Feb 12	250 781	177 [illegible]	441 569	441 [illegible]
Feb 19	270 802	178 185	447 987	394 190
Feb 26	267 100	180 070	447 [illegible]	457 818
Mar 4	264,100	180 [illegible]	444 [illegible]	438 058
Mar 11	289 001	188 008	477 801	461 [illegible]
Mar 18	292 908	170 891	463 [illegible]	450 768
Mar 25	270 192	189 276	459 468	459 717

Production for the week ending Saturday March 25th is estimated at 459 468 tons of which the merchant operators made 189 276 tons and the furnace interests 270 192 tons By districts the Connellsville region produced 248 073 tons and the Lower Connellsville region 211 395 tons Compared with the previous week this shows an increase in merchant production of 9 395 tons and in furnace production of 17 384 tons With the exception of Katherine, Herbert and Low Phos all the plants ran six days These plants ran five days The merchant operators have 88% of their ovens in operation and the furnace interest has 90% in operation There was a net increase of 16 active ovens last week odd ovens being fired at Mount Braddock and West Penn and put out at Ellen and Thomas

Shipments for the week ending Saturday March 25th, aggregated 12 691 cars carrying 456,337 tons consigned as follows

District.	Cars	Tons
Pittsburg district	4 879	16 [illegible]
West of Pittsburg.	5 417	217 [illegible]
East of Connellsville	1 [illegible]	[illegible]

Compared with the previous week this shows a gain of 26 569 tons. Pittsburg shipments increased 14,187 tons and Western shipments 16 672 tons, while Eastern shipments declined 4 380 tons from the record shipment of the previous week, 50 348 tons.

She Likes Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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IN SOCIAL CIRCLES.

Mrs Harry Williams will entertain the Thursday Musicale Thursday evening, at her home at Dunbar

An institute of the teachers of Mount Pleasant township will be held tomorrow

A pianoforte recital will be given Tuesday evening at the Mount Pleasant Institute by Miss Ora Detwiler of Pennsville and Miss Mildred Houser assisted by Miss Mary Armstrong soprano

A special meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Methodist Episcopal Church was held yesterday afternoon at the close of the tabernacle services to discuss business pertaining to the society

The regular meeting of the Saturday Afternoon Club of Vanderbilt will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o clock in the Vanderbilt Auditorium A program on The Immigrants will be carried out after which the school children will render a special program There will be a display of work in manual training sewing and cooking Following an inspection by the members of the club prizes for the best work will be awarded

A teachers institute of Lower Tyrone township will be held tomorrow at Florence school An interesting program has been arranged

The M E C Fancy Work Club will be entertained this evening by Miss Fette at her home at Snydertown

A meeting of the executive committee of the Ladies Circle No 100 to the Grand Army of the Republic will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs J J Robson in Eighth street Greenwood Plans for the Appomattox Day banquet to be held in Odd Fellows Temple will be discussed

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Cochran Memorial Methodist Church at Dawson will hold a missionary tea this evening in the church

The Westmoreland County Medical Society will meet Tuesday afternoon in Greensburg The Diagnosis of Tuberculosis will be discussed

PERSONAL

See Rapport-Leatherman Company's furniture ad on Page 7

C I Patterson of Uniontown, was in town yesterday on business

Mrs U L Obert of Uniontown is the guest of friends here

Mrs Joseph Orndorff and children have returned home from a visit with friends and relatives in Ohiopyle

Again in Hospital

Harry M Lawver of Confluence has re-entered a Pittsburg hospital for a third operation

By-Product Increase at Clairton

The increase in capacity of the Clairton by-product coke plant will be from 200 to 660 ovens

Hunting Bargains?

If so, read our advertising columns and you will find them

ARMOR PLANT BILL WILL VERY LIKELY DIE IN COMMITTEE

The Belief Becoming More General That the Government

CANNOT MAKE PLATE CHEAPER

Than Private Concerns Have Sold It, The Bethlehem Steel Company Offers to Reduce Price and Allow Examination of Costs of Manufacture

WASHINGTON March 30—Doubt was expressed today as to whether the government armor plant bill which recently passed the Senate will ever become law The government should not go into the business of manufacturing armor plate if it can procure that article as cheaply from private concerns was the opinion expressed by many members of Congress Since President Grace of the Bethlehem Steel Company presented the offer of his company to turn out armor plate for the navy at the rate of $195 a ton as compared with the previous lowest price of $1,5 a ton there has been a growing belief in the minds of many members of Congress that under these conditions it might not be possible for the government to make any saving, at least no substantial saving by becoming its own shipbuilder

The introduction of the bill however is acknowledged to have secured to the government the promise of a better rate than has been obtainable in the past Having brought about this result it is argued by those who are opposed to its passage that the bill should now be allowed to repose quietly in the committee to which it has been referred Many factors with which private companies do not have to contend would enter into government manufacture One of these perhaps the most important is the question of continuous operation of the plant and continuous employment for the employes Without continuous employment assured in advance it is pointed out it would be extremely difficult if not impossible to secure skilled mechanics in the government plant and without such workers first class quality of the output could not be assured

One of the indications that the bill will not go any further is that the House committee on naval affairs has not tried to push it and has not given it any real consideration A number of other measures considered more important and more urgent are scheduled to be taken up and this means it is believed that a decision has been reached to let the armor plant bill rest in committe and probably die there

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New Publications

In the preparation of The Authentic History of the United States Steel Corporation Arundel Cotter disclaims all intention to write a work of reference for steel men While confessing a predilection in favor of the institution which is the subject of his work he narrates in a most readable style and form the principal events in the world of industry and business which lead up to the formation and subsequent growth of this great organization The story as related makes a strong appeal to the stockholders in this enterprise but is none the less interesting to those who would inform themselves of the development which finds its highest type in the greatest industrial corporation in the world

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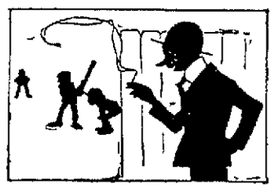

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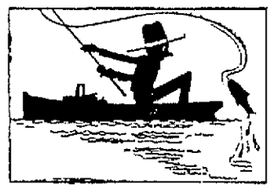

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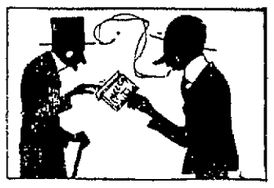

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A NOVEL

By GEORGE AGNEW CHAMBERLAIN

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Days passed. She went out only for exercise. Her mind was busy with wondering. The judge called regularly. He had put off going to Red Hill. He wanted Alix to feel that a friend was at hand and, besides, he had Alan on his hands. Alan was worrying him in a new way. Something had gone out of him. Sometimes he seemed to the judge a mere shell—a blown egg, robbed of the seed of life. The judge talked of him often to Alix, but she could not fasten her mind on Alan. "Take him to the Hill," was her listless advice.

"I've tried," said the judge, "and he says he's not ready—not strong enough. I told him that's what he ought to go for—to get strong—and he said a funny thing. 'There's a kind of strength we must generate or borrow. I didn't borrow, so now I'm generating. It takes time.' And then he dropped off to sleep. Before, he used to run you through with his tongue when he wanted to stop conversation. Now he just goes to sleep. It's just as effective and almost as original."

One afternoon the judge came in with a smile on his face. "Alan is better," he announced.

"Isn't he better every day?" asked Alix.

"Not like this," said the judge. "You know Fleureur? Of course you don't. You wouldn't. Can't imagine how he ever got into the club, but he did. Well, it's a long time since Mr. Fleureur has been asked to cut in at bridge at the club or anywhere else. Yesterday he came in and saw Alan for the first time since his return. 'Hallo, Wayne,' he said, 'back again and doing the heavy swell as ever, only not quite so heavy inside the clothes now, eh?' Alan is getting touchy over being a weakling. That's a good sign, too, by the way. He looked sideways out of his sleepy eyes at Fleureur and you bet everybody listened." The judge paused at thus forgetting himself; then he went on: "Alan said, 'Do clothes matter such a lot? Somehow it seems to me it doesn't make any difference how much a man waxes his mustache as long as he doesn't wax his finger nails.'"

Alix' face lit up. "Oh, that is Alan." The judge's eyes twinkled. "Yes," he said, "and then Alan went off to sleep like a shot and Fleureur remembered an engagement. The whole club's cheered up. The club didn't know what was the matter with itself, but it knows now. It was missing Alan after he had come back."

Alan had written to Mrs. J. Y. that he was planning to motor from town to Red Hill. Clem, as Mrs. J. Y.'s deputy, had answered his letter, promising him a warm and long welcome at Maple House. She gave him a way-bill. "It's the simplest way-bill in the world," she wrote, "out of town and along the sound till you come to the river, then up the valley till the bald top of East mountain signals you from the left. Climb the mountain, and from there the old church will lead you home."

"The old church will lead you home," Alan repeated to himself as he let his relaxed body lounge across the tonneau and trusted to cushions and springs to take up the bumps. His thoughts raced ahead of him to Red Hill. In memory he plodded over dusty roads and through mossy lanes, swam, fished and loafed, wept and laughed. He was going back to the cradle of all his emotions.

The wind and the motion of the car made him sleepy. He dozed. He awoke to see East mountain looming in the distance. Steadily the car drew into its lee. Alan sighted a climbing road and called directions to the driver. From the bare top of the mountain he made out the old church, a white speck on a far-away hill. He stood up and traced the course they were to follow. He was filled with a strange excitement. "Never mind the bumps—open her up," he ordered, and sat down and closed his eyes.

Long lane was as cool as memory and as balmy with the twining odors of birch and sassafras and laurel as childhood's recollection. Alan drew a long, full breath and then the car ran out on to the top of Red Hill, swerved to the right and turned in under the low-hanging limbs of the maples.

It was early afternoon. The old homestead was very still. As the car drew up at the curb a girl rose from a deep chair on the veranda and stepped forward. Alan caught his breath and stared. He felt himself a little boy. Nance, a mere rosebud of a girl, stood before him and smiled at his bewildered face. "You're Uncle Alan, aren't you?" The soft voice sustained illusion, but the words brought him to himself—made him feel suddenly older by a generation. Then he smiled back at her and chaffed. "You have been busy since I saw you last. Have I the honor of presenting myself to Miss Sterling?"

"The same," replied the girl, laughing, "and your niece."

"Come. That's enough. Don't rub it in. Besides, you're only niece by courtesy. By the family tree we're cousins."

"All right. I'll be a cousin to you if you like it better," remarked Nance, junior, demurely.

Alan had sprung out. He caught her hands and kissed her. Her fresh mouth brushed his cheek.

"Yes, I like it better," he said. "It's some fun kissing a cousin."

Nance, junior, snatched away her hands and dashed into the house. "Mother, Clem, he's here. Uac—Cousin Alan's come."

From upstairs came a sullen but feeble roar, as though a bull had bellowed and only echo had come forth. From a hammock under the trees J. Y. tumbled his stiffening limbs and with a quick shake of his broad shoulders strode across the lawn. There was a patter of women's feet. Clem burst out of the house, caught both of Alan's hands and shook them. Her lips opened but she said nothing. Her eyes and her heart were full of welcome. Alan felt them speaking for her. Then came Mrs. J. Y. and J. Y. and Nance, the mother of four. There arose a babel of hearty greetings, but through them all could be heard the rumble of the echolike bellowing.

"Ssh!" said Alan, holding up his hand. "What's that noise?"

Clem laughed. "It's the captain," she said. "Listen."

In the silence the rumbling became vociferation. "Bring him up here. Bring him up here, dammit."

"You'd better go quickly," remarked Nance, junior. "He's begun to swear and mother doesn't like us to hear it."

Alan hurried into the house and up to the captain's room. The grown-ups followed but stopped below and waited. Nance, junior, remained to direct the chauffeur to the barn.

"Excuse me, miss," said that worthy, "but Mr. Wayne hasn't had a bite to eat since seven this mording. You might not think to ask him, you see, so I thought I'd tell you."

"I see," replied the young lady, and added with ready wit and a smile, "just find the kitchen and tell the cook."

Alan found the captain propped on many pillows. His bulging eyes had the same old glare, his close-cropped hair still made an effort, though feeble, to insurgency, but his corpulence was gone. He had collapsed at last and was bedridden after a severe stroke. "Huh!" was his greeting.

Alan sat down beside the bed. "How do you do, sir?"

"Do? I do all right. It's the liquor in this country that's gone off, sir. Corked whisky. That's all that's left. I'll show you, Alan." And he roared, after a preliminary puff, "Two whiskies."

Mrs. Wayne appeared. "Now, captain," she said softly. "What's this? Two at a time? You're getting better."

The captain subsided. "One for Alan," he grunted.

The drinks came. Alan welcomed his. He was tired and faint after the long journey. The captain gazed on his own glass defiantly but ordered the maid to set it on the table at his side. Alan waited long for him to take it up, and then he saw that the captain had fallen asleep. Alan sipped his drink. The captain was right, it was flavorless. But Alan remembered that he had thrown away his last cigarette for the same reason. He sighed.

In spite of the judge, Alix was feeling very lonely, abandoned, unloved. She sat on the little veranda at the back of the town house and day-dreamed. Across her knee lay the morning paper. A word caught her eye. Elenie. Half unconsciously she read: "Among the arrivals by the Elenie . . . Hon. Percy Collingeford."

Collingeford! She started to her feet and then with what seemed a perceptible click her mind repeated, "Elenie." She sat down again. The hand that held the paper was trembling. She sat for a long time looking at her hand. The telephone bell rang, but she did not hear it. Old John came and stood beside her.

"Mr. Collingeford telephones to know if you are in town."

A frightened gleam showed in Alix' eyes. It passed and a flame of color came into her pale cheeks. "Yes," she said. "I am at home. Tell him I will see him at any time today."

Collingeford lost no time. When he arrived Alix was still sitting on the veranda. She received him there. He came upon her with a rush—like a fresh breeze. "What luck!" he cried. "Really in town on a hot summer's day?

Which is it? Frocks or the dentist?"

Alix rose and held out her hand. A faint smile came to her face, lingered a moment and passed. "I am glad you have come," she said, and then paused. Her eyes wavered. Was she glad he had come?

Collingeford caught her mood. "Just what do you mean by that?" he asked gravely.

Alix' eyes came back to his face. "I—I don't know," she stammered.

They sat down. Collingeford dropped his hat and stick and leaned forward. A dull color burned in his cheeks. "Alix," he said, "has—has anything happened?"

"No," said Alix, "not what you mean. Gerry is alive. He has written. He says he is coming back—some time."

Collingeford sprang to his feet, his eyes flashing.

"Some time! Did he really write that? Some time?"

There was a petulant look about Alix' mouth that belonged to an Alix of long ago. She tried to shake it off with her mood. "No," she said dully, after a pause. "He didn't write just that but it amounts to the same thing. He wrote but he has not come."

Collingeford paced up and down the little veranda, his arms crossed and one hand pulling nervously at his mustache. He came to a stop before Alix

"My Boy, You Have Been Far Away."

and stood looking down at her, his eyes eager but questioning. "Well?" he said.

Alix made a little gesture of despair with her two hands. "I—I don't know," she repeated. Then, quite quietly, she began to cry.

Collingeford caught her hands and drew her to her feet. He put his arms around her. She laid her head against his shoulder and sobbed. Collingeford's heart was beating furiously. His arms trembled. He longed to strain her to him, but he only held her firmly and patted her back. Some instinct told him that this was not the moment of possession.

When Alix could talk he knew that his instinct was true. "Oh," she said, "what a little beast I am! Unfair to you, unfair to myself."

She disengaged herself and sat down. With a tiny square of cambric she dabbed at her eyes.

"Here," said Collingeford, and held out a big, fresh handkerchief.

Alix took it and used it solemnly. Then its bulk struck a sudden note of humor. She laughed and Collingeford smiled. As he gave back the handkerchief she pressed Collingeford's hand. "I have been a little beast."

"No," said Collingeford gravely, "you have been unspeakably lovable."

"It would have been that if I loved you. But I don't. That's why I've been a beast. To make you think—"

Collingeford interrupted her. "You made me think nothing. Somehow I knew. I knew it was just loneliness running over from a full heart."

Alix nodded. "How wonderful of you to understand," she said. "Lonely. Yes. I've been terribly lonely. Never before so lonely."

"You shall not be lonely any more," said Collingeford. "Every day I'll come and talk to you, take you out—anything. I'm yours."

Alix shook her head from side to side. Her eyes refused him.

"Alix," cried Collingeford, hurt, "don't you want me even for a friend?"

"Don't mistake what I'm going to say, will you?" said Alix.

Collingeford shook his head.

"Gerry is coming back," went on Alix, "but—I don't know what he is bringing back. Perhaps it is something he can't share with me; perhaps it is something I do not want. When you went away I had only faith; now I have only doubt. Such a big doubt. That's why I said to you, 'I don't know.' And while I don't know I will not have you even for a friend." Alix flushed and fixed her eyes on Collingeford's face. "Do you understand?"

Collingeford's eyes were glowing. "Yes," he said, "I think I do. You mean that perhaps—later on—you will send for me."

"Perhaps—only perhaps," whispered Alix.

Collingeford picked up his hat and stick. He took Alix' hand and held it long. She would not look up. He stooped and kissed her fingers.

"I shall be waiting," he said.

The peripatetic, pathogenic agent of malarial fever possesses the prime attribute of a bad penny—it comes back. Alan had often fatted himself to receive the prodigal, and he was not now at a loss to account for the sudden lassitude, the deadened palate and the truant sense of smell that had come upon him. He turned to Mrs. J. Y. "I'm afraid I'll have to lie down. I hate to be a nuisance, but I've got a touch of fever." To the initiated "a touch of fever" means anything from a slight indisposition to a knockout blow delivered below the belt. It is the sole phrase of confession recognized by the malarial cult. Happily for Alan, the expression on this occasion was no euphemism. He was suffering from a touch of fever, and nothing more, brought on by too continued exertion. He was shown to his room, his old room with its old-fashioned, many-paned windows, its enormous closet and, under recent coatings of white enamel paint, the many marks with which in boyhood he and his forbears had branded the ancient woodwork.

A flutter and then a sigh of disappointment went through Maple House at Alan's immediate eclipse. The children foresaw an order for silence or a veto on the afternoon's excursion to the lake. J. Y. became restless and wandered noiselessly about from room to room. Clem sat in the great window and dreamed and listened for Alan's bell. She would not go to the lake. The children were solemnly grave and then giggling by fits and starts.

The Eltons had come back from abroad. From Elm House Cousin Frances Elton, commonly known as Tom, short for tomboy, came racing across the lawn waving towel and bathing clothes and in a high treble giving a creditable imitation of an Indian warwhoop. At Tom's cry the children stampeded on to the veranda with sibilant cries of, "Sshsh!" Mrs. J. Y. looked at Nance and Nance smiled resignedly. They put away their work, ordered the wagonette and the colts—colts no longer, alas, save in name—and departed with a wagon-load of suppressed youth. From Long lane floated back peals of young laughter, breaking bounds as the overhanging trees hid the hill from view.

Clem sat on the vast window seat and toyed with a book. J. Y. came and dropped down beside her. "Well, Clem, he's come back."

Clem nodded. "Are you sure he doesn't want anything, Uncle John? He hasn't had a thing to eat since seven o'clock this morning."

Alan's bell tinkled. Clem started to her feet and then sat down again. "You'd better go." But when J. Y. strode off she followed.

"Why is the house so quiet? Is it on account of the captain?" asked Alan.

"Bless you, no. The captain sleeps for a week at a time. The children have gone over to the lake."

"I just wanted to tell you that I like their noises—they're new. There's nothing really the matter with me except that I've got to take things in turn, and lying still and sweating comes first. After that, perhaps tomorrow, I'm going to eat. The penultimate act on my list is a cigarette and the ultimate is to get up in the old belfry and yell." He turned over and sank his head into the pillows.

"All right, my boy," said J. Y., smiling. "There's only Clem and myself here and we'll go and try to make noises like the children." He came out of the door in time to catch sight of Clem's skirt as it whisked around the corner of the hall. He followed and found her already seated at the piano. Her fingers wandered over the keys and then her soft, full voice broke out in one old song after another. She was happy because she felt that singing she was with Alan.

Alan stirred in his bed and listened. He determined that tomorrow he must be well. Robbed of this afternoon, he was being robbed of half of life. He cursed the fever and then, as he felt how near Clem's voice brought her to him, he blessed it.

At night when all the rest of the household had gone to bed, J. Y. softly opened Alan's door and looked in. Alan was awake and nodded. J. Y. came in and pottered about the room. He rolled a bit of paper into an ampler shade and further veiled the night lamp. The lines in J. Y.'s rugged face were softened to lines of sweetness. He asked if there were nothing he could do and then turned to leave the room. With his hand on the door, he paused and smiled down on Alan. "My boy, you have been far, far away."

"Far away," replied Alan drowsily, "but I have come back."

The bracing air of Red Hill and a long night's sleep enabled Alan to keep his word with himself. He was up and out on the day following his arrival, but he still felt delightfully lazy and pitifully weak. Clem took charge of him. First she tried to settle him in a hammock with many pillows, but Alan shrank from the hammock. They spread rugs instead in a nook under the trees, and Alan stretched himself out amid a riot of many-colored cushions, while Clem sat close by in a low rocking chair and talked and read and talked.

Talking or reading, Clem was a source of unvarying delight to Alan. Was it possible that one could live twenty years in an old world, rub elbows with life for twenty years, and remain so fresh, so untainted? His own life rose up before him and mocked at him. Was it possible that one could live thirty years in this same world and be so old? He shrugged a shoulder petulantly. He would not think—he refused to think while he was so weak.

When Clem talked, it was like a child dreaming aloud; when she was silent one felt the presence of womanhood, wise with the unconscious accumulations of generations and unabashed. When Clem talked Alan was at ease, but when she was silent he was moved—troubled. A scarred man may play with a child and no harm to either. He can detach himself from his past as from the child and at a safe moral distance turn to watch its unconscious gambols. But with a woman it is different. Womanhood is a force; its mission to embrace, to sacrifice. It is unreasoning. Like fundamental man it demands a god and worships the god that comes to its need. Alan felt this force hovering in Clem's silences and was troubled.

The subjectivity of a sick man disarms woman; she knows she is safe and abandons her weapons of attack and defense as long as the invalid is taken up with the state of his insides. Clem was unaffected, even tender, with Alan as long as he was weak, but as his strength returned to him she withdrew, one by one and gently, the intimate attentions a woman accords to babes and the related helpless. But there was nothing absolute in her withdrawal; it was more a temptation than a denial, born of woman's innate desire to be pursued. While Alan was merely convalescent it contained a suppressed gayety, half demure, half mischievous, but when his full strength came back and he failed to pursue, the gayety arrested itself, turned into a questioning wistfulness and ended in the secret shame and blushes of the repulsed and undesired.

Clem saw Alan build a barrier against her, a barrier of little things, each insignificant in itself but each lending and borrowing the strength of accumulation. Alan spent hours with the old captain, walked, rode and talked with J. Y. and the judge. Between them, J. Y. and the judge had fixed up Lieber's affair and Alan had cabled.

In the midst of women Alan seemed to be able to forget woman—to forget her intentionally. There was nothing pointed in his avoidance. He kept his distance from Alix and Nance and Jane Elton in the same measure as from Clem. There was thus none of the single avoidance of the shy swain who lavishes attentions on all but her whom he would most dearly sue. Clem, least vain of beautiful women, sat long hours before her glass. Never before had the charms it revealed been questioned, never had she been forced to close in the ranks and call up the reserves, and now she felt at a loss, unaccustomed to the ready moves of the coquette. Clem dropped her face in her hands and cried.

Clem's was not the only troubled heart on the Hill. At The Firs Mrs. Lansing moved restlessly from room to room and stopped often to read and re-read a crumpled note—Gerry's note to Alix.

Alix was still in town. Mrs. Lansing had written to her and then wired. Alix replied telling her not to come, that she wished to be alone. For hours at a time Mrs. Lansing replaced the nurse at Gerry, junior's, side. He helped her. She felt that he could help Alix.

She was almost glad when he developed some trifling ailment becoming to his years. She wired again and this time Alix came, frightened. Alix was like a wilted flower, but she braced herself until Gerry, junior, recovered into his healthy self. Then she drooped once more and refused to be comforted.

If it had not been for Alan, Alix' trouble would have cast a gloom over the rest of Red Hill, but it was known that Alan had sought out Mrs. Lansing and told her that not even he knew just how Gerry's battle stood, but that he did know that there was a battle and that Gerry would surely come back as soon as he had fought his way clear.

So the Hill in general went almost untroubled on its way trying to forget that it was still awaiting a fulfillment, and even Alix began to glean a little comfort from the thought that hope was but deferred. Her heart was sick, her faith weak, but hope still lived. She clung through the long days to Gerry, junior, and waited.

At Maple House the beating of young hearts amounted to a din, but it was suddenly stilled by a day of drenching rain. After the very tame excitement of seeing J. Y. and the judge off for the city, gloom settled in the faces of the children. Cousin Tom, in rubber boots and coat, came down the road from Elm House to find company for misery. The barn was requisitioned and became the scene of a subdued frolic, but it afforded meager diversion. The hay was not in yet, the empty lofts were dreary. In the afternoon Mrs. J. Y. was besieged to surrender the house and finally did. Alan had gone to his room and closed the door. The captain was plunged in invulnerable slumber.

Somebody rapped at Alan's door and he called, "Come in." The door opened and revealed Nance, junior. Behind her was a giggling, whispering throng. The spirit of fun danced in Nance's eyes. Her cheeks were flushed and her golden head was in disarray. "Oh, Cousin Alan," she cried, "grandma's

Clem Stood Before Him Dazed.

given us leave for hide and seek and we're all going to play except mother and grandma and the captain. Please come, too, Cousin Alan."

From behind her came a modified echo. "Pleath do, Couthin Alan." Alan smiled and laid down his book. "All right," he laughed.

Maple House was a rambling abode that had grown and spread like the giant maples that sheltered it. In what age the captain had demanded a wing or some bygone Nance a nursery for her children was chronicled in the annals of the house itself, to be revealed only to the searching, architectural eye. The key to the rambling structure lay in the thick-walled dining room, the parlor, one bedroom and the kitchen.

From the nucleus of these four rooms Maple House had grown, imposed and superimposed, until it overflowed the arbitrary bourne of kitchens and front doors and like some mounded vine rippled off on all sides, in vast living rooms, sunny nurseries and a broken fringe of broad verandas. There were nooks that were satisfied and held back from further encroachment and there were outstanding corners that jutted boldly out over the sloping lawns and threatened a further raid.

Inside, the paths of daily life ran clearly enough through the maze, but on their flanks hung many a somber den for ambush or retreat. Cavernous closets, shadowy corners, lumbered attics and half-forgotten interstices of discarded space opened dark gorges to the intrepid, and threatened the nervous and unwary with what they might bring forth. The gods of childhood's games themselves could not have builded a better scene for that most palpitating of sports, hide and seek on a rainy day.

Alan soon entered into the spirit of the game. He found himself recollecting inings about Maple House that he had more than half forgotten: strange byways under the roof; a vacant chamber, turned into a trunk room because one by one it had been robbed of its windows; and lastly the little attic that had been, as it were, left behind a wall.

Through this dreamland of a hundred children flitted the brood of the day, marshaled rather breathlessly by Clem and Alan. Anxious whispers, the scurrying of lightly shod feet, then a sudden silence but for the flutelike counting of some juvenile It, were followed by sudden screams and a wild race for the goal. Maple House had never countenanced the effete and diluted sport of I Spy; it was all for hide and seek, where you had to hold your man when found or beat him to the goal.

Great was the excitement when the littlest It of all caught Cousin Alan by a tackle around the ankle that spoke a volume of promise for the littlest. It's academic career and brought a glow of achievement to his perspiring face. Alan was placed at the newel at the foot of the great staircase and duly admonished in treble voices not to look. The treble voices rained excited instructions on him, carried away by youth's confidence in its ability to teach its grandmother how to suck eggs. Alan started to count slowly in sonorous tones. With a last shriek and the patter of many feet the trebles faded away into silence.

Alan crept stealthily up the stairs. Out of the corner of his eye he caught sight of the twitching jumpers of the littlest, who was too fat to quite fit the retreat he had chosen. But Alan did not quite see until it was too late. The littlest exploded the vast breath he had been holding in and plunged headlong down the stairs. As he rolled by the newel he stuck out a sturdy arm and held fast. He shouted a pean of victory and once more palpitating silence fell on the house.

Alan wondered if he could find the way to the little attic. He hurried along the twisted halls, up a tiny flight of steps, turned, dived through a low, narrow tunnel and threw open the long-forgotten door. It was as though he had suddenly opened a portal on his own childhood. A great, pensioned rocking chair held the middle of the floor as within his ken it always had held it. Ancient garments hung from pegs on the walls and from hooks on the rafters. A box or two and more disabled furniture littered the floor. The whole was faintly lit up by the light from a little dormer window. Nothing stirred. Alan drew a long breath. He was not disappointed. No one had thought to come here but himself.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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Has been stamped upon our beautiful showing of Spring and Summer wearing apparel by the people of Connellsville and vicinity. No member of the family has been forgotten here; our showing is complete for father, mother, brother, sister and the little tots. Dress up the whole family this week at this store. Here's the proof that you save money by doing so:—

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Buy your Boys' Easter Clothes here. Our prices cannot be duplicated.

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All Men's High Grade Work Shoes, Greatly Reduced.

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P. R. R. Hotel at Pittsburg.

An unofficial report states that the Pennsylvania railroad will build a $1,000,000 hotel near the present passenger station in Pittsburg.

THE SYSTEM OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION

For the Settlement of Disputes in the Anthracite Coal Region.

HAS PROVEN TO BE EFFICIENT

Successful in Continuing and Furthering Peaceful Relations and Avoiding Conflicts Between Employes and Employers About Agreements.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—High praise for the well developed form of collective bargaining in the anthracite coal industry and for the efficient system of conciliation and arbitration of disputes, the basis for which was established in the period beginning with the great strike of 1900 and ending with the arbitration of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission in 1902-3, is contained in a report on this subject by Edgar Sydenstricker, of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, just made public.

The report points out that in spite of the fact that on three occasions—in 1906, 1909 and 1912—when new agreements were negotiated, obstacles in the way of maintaining peaceful relations appeared to be serious, the relations between employers and employes in the anthracite industry have been maintained. A habit of collective bargaining has been established. It is claimed in the report, fairly well recognized precedents have grown up and a system of settling disputes and grievances, which so far has been successful in continuing and furthering peaceful relations and avoiding conflicts have been developed.

Collective bargaining in the anthracite coal industry, it is declared, furnished a striking example of the possibility of trade agreements and of the peaceful settlement of labor disputes between a group of employers strongly united and a body of unskilled workers composed largely of recent immigrants inexperienced in collective action and untrained in American unionism. The introduction in the anthracite industry came at a time when employers were, perhaps, most united and the employers least homogenous. The creation of a permanent board of conciliation for an entire industry as a method of settling disputes arising under agreements and of preventing strikes was unique, and the provision for the adjudication of such disputes as could not be settled by conciliation by an umpire appointed by a federal judge was a step far in advance of what had been done in the coal industry in this country, as well as in other industries of a national scope.

In the three agreements which have been made in the industry since 1906 when the awards of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission expired several tendencies appeared. These include a tendency to amend the awards of 1902, with more freedom in each agreement, a tendency toward more businesslike methods in negotiations and better understanding between the representatives of the bargaining parties and a tendency to grant more complete recognition of the union as a party to agreements.

The success of the agreements, judged from the standpoint of collective bargaining, is seen from the fact that at no time has there been any repudiation of any agreement. The success of the agreements appear also to be indicated in the attitude of mine worker and operators. While both parties have expressed dissatisfaction with certain features of the agreements and of the system of conciliating disputes and grievances, the principle of collective bargaining is looked upon favorably by many representative operators as well as by union officials.

INDOOR LIFE MAKES FAT

Try Oil of Korein to Keep Weight Down or to Reduce Superfluous Fat.

People who are confined within doors and who are deprived of fresh invigorating air and exercise must take precaution to guard against over-stoutness, as fat acquired by indoor life is unhealthy and a danger to the vital organs of the body. Lack of exercise in the fresh air is said to weaken the oxygen carrying power of the blood, so that it is unable to produce strong muscles and vitality and the formation of unsightly and unhealthy fat is the result.

If you are 15 or 20 pounds above normal weight you are daily drawing on you reserve strength and are constantly lowering your vitality by carrying this excess burden. Any person who are satisfied in their own mind that they are too stout are advised to go to A. A. Clarke a good druggist and get a box of oil of korein capsules, and take one after each meal and one just before retiring at night.

Even a few days treatment has been reported to show a noticeable reduction in weight; improved digestion and a return of the old energy; footsteps become lighter and the skin less flabby in appearance as superfluous fat disappears.

Oil of korein is inexpensive, cannot injure, and helps the digestion. Any person who wants to reduce 15 or 20 pounds is advised to give this treatment a trial.—Adv.

Buy West Virginia Coal.

The Fairmont & Monongahela Coal Company, composed of Chicago capitalists interested in the Hines Lumber Company, have purchased 3,000 acres of coal land in Marion and Monongahela counties, W. Va. The property is reached by both the Baltimore & Ohio and the Monongahela railroad.

British Commandeer Manganese.

The British government has taken over all the manganese ore in India and no further shipments to outside users will be allowed except what already has been contracted for.

AN EASY WAY TO INCREASE WEIGHT

Good Advice for Thin People.

The trouble with most thin folks who wish to gain weight is that they insist on drugging their stomach or stuffing it with greasy foods; rubbing on useless "flesh creams," or following some foolish physical culture stunt, while the real cause of thinness goes untouched. You cannot get fat until your digestive tract assimilates the food you eat.

There is a preparation known to reliable druggists almost everywhere which seemingly embodies the missing elements needed by the digestive organs to help them convert food into rich, fat-laden blood. This modern treatment is called Sargol and has been termed the greatest of flesh-builders. Sargol aims through regenerative, re-constructive powers to coax the stomach and intestines to literally soak up the fattening elements of your food and pass them into the blood, where they are carried to the starved, broken-down cells and tissues of your body. You can readily picture what result this amazing transformation should produce as with increased weight the cheeks fill out, hollows about neck, shoulders and bust disappear and from 10 to 20 pounds of solid, healthy flesh is added to the body. Sargol is absolutely harmless, inexpensive, efficient.

Leading druggists of this vicinity have it and will refund your money if you are not satisfied, as per the guarantee found in every package.

NOTE:—Sargol is recommended only as a flesh builder and while excellent results in cases of nervous indigestion, etc., have been reported care should be taken about using it unless a gain of weight is desired.—Adv.

HAVE LOST $50,000,000

Through Carrying Mails the Past Nine Years Railroads Claim.

That the railroads of the United States have lost $50,000,000 since 1907 because of cuts in their pay for carrying the mails was declared by Victor J. Bradley, of Philadelphia, General superviser of mail traffic of the Pennsylvania railroad, in his testimony before the Senate post committee in protest against the Moon rider proposing to change the present system of railway mail pay. The expenses of the railroads, he said, have been increased $15,000,000 in less than four years by the law requiring postal cars to be built of steel.

The whole question of railway mail pay should be turned over to the Interstate Commerce Commission, Mr. Bradley advised.

Only once in the last 43 years has Congress attempted to give the railroads fairer pay for mail carrying and this allowance, which was on account of the parcel post, was only partly paid by the Post Office Department. Since 1873, he asserted, the mail tonnage carried by the railroads has been growing more than three times as fast as their pay.

OVERWORKED MINISTER

Tells How Vinol Restored Strength and Vitality.

Connellsville people will realize that we could not publish such letters as the following if they were not genuine and truthful statements of facts. The Rev. Mr. Hughes, Holly Springs, Ark., says:—

"I am a Methodist Minister, and suffered from broken-down nerves, loss of appetite and sleeplessness. I was weak, my circulation was very poor, and I was not able to do my duty in my Parish as I felt I should. I had tried various remedies but did not seem to get any better. Through Mr. Catlin of Bearden, Ark., I learned of Vinol, and it built me up. I regained my appetite, can sleep better and do more work."

There is no secret about Vinol, it derives its power to build up the overworked, brokendown nervous system from the medicinal extractives of fresh cod livers without oil combined with tonic iron and beef peptone.

Anyone in Connellsville who wishes to try Vinol can do so with the understanding that we will return their money if they are not satisfied. Laughrey Drug Co.—Adv.

PEACE RUMORS

Have Not Checked Buying of Iron or Steel; Market Conditions Active.

Rumors of negotiations for peace among the European belligerents have not checked the buying of any iron and steel products, except possibly ferro-manganese for future delivery, says The Iron Trade Review.

Rail buying for delivery in the first half of 1917 has continued at a lively rate and it is estimated that at least 500,000 tons for that period have been booked, while orders for a larger tonnage are pending, including 250,000 tons practically closed by eastern systems.

The pig iron market continues active and prices are firmer. In semi-finished steel, some extraordinary prices are being paid. A sale of plain open-hearth billets was made in the Youngstown district at $57.50, or fully $17 over recent quotations. The demand for pipe has been greatly increased by the development of the oil fields in the southwestern part of the United States, which, in turn, is due to the high prices of oil.

Why Colds Are to be Dreaded.

It is not the cold itself but the serious diseases it so often leads to that makes a common cold by far the most dangerous of any of the minor ailments. The cold prepares your system for the reception and development of the germs of pneumonia, consumption, diphtheria and other germ diseases. The quicker you cure the cold the less the danger. To accomplish this you will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy most effectual. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

Acquire Algoma Properties.

The Great Lakes Power Company, a new organization backed by United States interests, has purchased the power plant of the Algoma Steel Corporation at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Read the advertisements.

FOOD SOURING IN STOMACH CAUSES INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapepsin" Ends all Stomach Distress in Five Minutes.

Wonder what upset your stomach—which portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in revolt; if sour, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented into stubborn lumps; head dizzy and aches; belch gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapepsin and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have a bad stomach. A little Diapepsin occasionally keeps this delicate organ regulated and they eat their favorite foods without fear.

If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapepsin which costs only 50 cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it digests food and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing. Please, for your sake, don't go on and on with a weak, disordered stomach; it's so unnecessary.—Adv.

HEARING ON COAL RATES TO BEGIN ON APRIL 24

A Crowded Calendar Compels Interstate Commerce Commission to Advance the Date.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—On account of the crowded condition of its calendar the Interstate Commerce Commission will not be able to begin it hearings on the bituminous rates before April 24, when they will be opened here before Commissioner Clements. Originally it has been planned to have the hearings start early in April, but the immense amount of work which the commission already has on hand compelled that body to arrange for a later date. It is expected that almost if not quite a year will elapse before all the arguments will have been presented and the commission be prepared to hand down its decision as to what rates shall apply from the bituminous fields in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and elsewhere to the lower Lake Erie ports, at which points coal is received for trans-shipment over the Great Lakes.

The order of the commission announcing the date of the opening of the hearing said: "It is ordered, that the commission, upon its own motion, enter upon an investigation into and concerning the reasonableness and propriety of the rates on bituminous coal from mines in Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio to the said lower Lake Erie ports, viz: Erie, Pa., and Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula, Fairport, Cleveland, Lorain, Huron, Sandusky and Toledo, Ohio, for transshipment over the Great Lakes, and of the rules, regulations and practices applicable in connection with said rates."

The rates which the various roads proposed to put into effect would have increased the freight charges on coal to the lake ports an average of fifteen cents or more a ton. The following railroads have been named as respondents in the proceeding: Bessemer & Lake Erie, Baltimore & Ohio, Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern; Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton; Chesapeake & Ohio; Hocking Valley; Pennsylvania Company; Pennsylvania Railroad Company; Pittsburg & Lake Erie; Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis; New York Central; Norfolk & Western; Vandalia; Wabash Pittsburg Terminal; Western Maryland; Wheeling & Lake Erie, and West Side Belt Railroad.

DON'T NEGLECT KIDNEYS

Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Prescription, Overcomes Kidney Trouble.

It is now conceded by physicians that the kidneys should have more attention as they control the other organs to a remarkable degree and do a tremendous amount of work in removing the poisons and waste matter from the system by filtering the blood.

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An ideal herbal compound that has had most remarkable success as a kidney and bladder remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. There is nothing else like it. It is Dr. Kilmer's prescription used in private practice and it is sure to benefit you. Get a bottle from your druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention the Connellsville Daily Courier.—Adv.

Spring Time.

It is now spring time and a large amount of work will open for everybody. Try and get your share; earn money and save a part of your earnings. The Citizens National Bank, 103 North Pittsburg street, welcomes savings in any amount. Just call at the bank for information concerning interest and savings plan.—Adv.

Full Crew Hearings.

The Pennsylvania Public Service Commission will hold hearings on complaints of violations of the "full crew" law on April 6.

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To All People in Fayette County Who May Need Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Stoves and House Furnishings

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Are not built out of wind with just a few specials to lead you on, but a great assortment of clean, fresh stock of high grade goods direct from Grand Rapids, Chicago and New York markets. Latest styles, enormous selections and greatest varieties in this section of the state.

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A STURDY CHILD DURABLY GARBED.

MOTHER'S PRIDE

King's blue chambray forms the corselet of this small gown, which takes a plaid kilt, blue and white gingham and a white piqué guimpe of scalloped edges. Stitched-on straps around the armholes are piped by bias strips and held by white crochet buttons. This is an attractive design for ten-year-olds.

FRECKLES

March Worst Month for This Trouble—How to Remove Easily.

There's a reason why nearly everybody freckles in March, but happily there is also a remedy for these ugly blemishes, and no one need stay freckled.

Simply get an ounce of othine, double strength, from your druggist and apply a little of it night and morning, and a few days you should see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. Now is the time to rid yourself of freckles, for if not removed now they may stay all Summer and spoil an otherwise beautiful complexion. Your money back if othine fails.—Adv.

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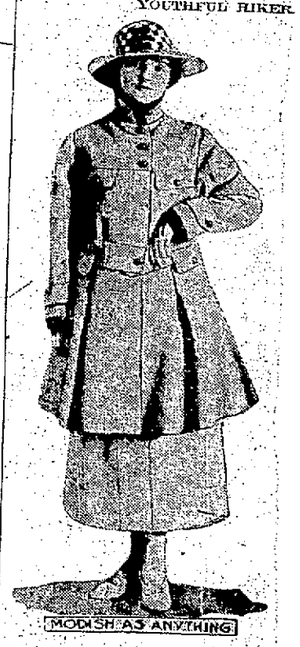

MODISH AS ANYTHING

Built of tan novelty cloth is this topcoat with its brassy novelty buttons and brown velvet finishes. Please notice how smart the pockets are, pendent from the belt. The tan cloth has an oilcloth band of brown and white check.

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Ucanol is soothing, healing, antiseptic. It speeds up Nature's task of forming clean, new tissue. Common sense and Ucanol are Nature's "first aids." You cannot cure a chronic disease in a day—you know that. But if you will give Ucanol just a fair chance, you will congratulate yourself for having done so. Ucanol may be new to you, but it's an old, old friendly aid to many sufferers from skin disorders.

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